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Sketch of the Author.

The writer of this little volume, J. A. Hamilton, was born near Hallsville, Harrison County, Texas, July 27, 1875; always enjoyed excellent school advantages, having attended regularly from a boy of five years of age until twenty-two. Finishing the high school courses at home, entered college, Marshall, Texas, at age of sixteen, graduating from courses of 1894 and 1897; taught school as first-grade teacher for eight years. Was married July 22, 1902, to Miss Minnie E. Dansby, a graduate of Mary Allen Seminary, Crockett, Texas, then a teacher of the city school of Henderson, Texas. Two darling children, Mable Corinn, born Nov. 19, 1903, and Jesse Andrew, born Jan. 13, 1906, shed bright rays of love and affection in our home.

I always had a strong desire for extensive travel, not a little of which I am very grateful to say has been gratified.

I trust this little volume may be of some service to you, and in the near future promise the public something which I trust may be much better.

Sincerely yours,

J. A. HAMILTON.

PREFACE

Every great city in the Union has its very great and mixed population, composed of many different races, but history verifies the fact that in the United States the colored and white men are the two predominant races. These two races have been very closely in touch one with the other since 1619, the year of the advent of slavery into our incomparable Nation, and the history of one crowds upon the other. Both are very great races, and it is impossible to foresee what they may ultimately reach in the future. May the time arrive when each may link themselves together in a business way in the interest of the other's financial success. The history of our white friends is well known by every school boy; so I select to give to the reading public an authentic history of the colored people of the great city of Fort Worth. A very accurate statistical outline of the colored people and all of their business, social, moral, intellectual and religious successes, are given in an honest and impartial way. We take very great care in giving accurate accounts of every business in Fort Worth among the race. Their success has been very great in the past. In a material way they are growing by leaps and bounds, but still very much needs to be done in an intellectual and moral way. How few of the race know the history of the founders and promoters of this comparatively young yet very great metropolis of the great Southwest! No city in Texas has such a charming and fascinating history as this giant of Texas.

While we strive to write a book on our race, yet it would be incomplete without mention of the great early pioneers who laid its foundation so well. We are indebted to large numbers of both colors who so kindly and patiently gave us our information direct as they saw and knew it from 1850 to the present.

We are very sorry to state that a few worthy colored businesses of our city are not mentioned, for the reason they could not at present decide to pay a small amount to come in; yet they are worthy and sacredly reliable.

It is the wish of the author that the city may prosper and become a great center of trade, commerce and finance, and that the two races may here have a port where race troubles and unjust contentions are unknown, but each striving for himself and his fellow-man.

The aim of our humble attempt in putting out this little volume is to do all the good possible, irrespective of race.

"With best wishes to all, and malice towards none," I am,

Respectfully yours,

J. A. HAMILTON.

Fort Worth, Texas.

Ft. Worth---It's Early History and Founders

The imperial State of Texas is truly proud to honor the name of Fort Worth. It is the greatest commercial and industrial center in the Southwest. Is situated on both banks of the Trinity River, about thirty-two miles west of Dallas and 618 miles east of El Paso. The history of it dates from 1850. In 1853 Mr. Henry Daggett, father of our townsman, Mr. E. M. Daggett, settled across the Trinity River, built two log cabins, shedding them over, and these served as the home of both the whites and colored. He then built a store near the present site of a laundry now, and erected the first hotel ever built in Fort Worth, a two-story log building. The genuine old-fashioned hospitality prevailed. Guests who chanced to stop at this place were never requested to pay for rooms and board, this being entirely left to their choice; if they desired to settle the bill it was accepted; if not, they went on their way.

By many, Mr. E. W. Daggett is given the credit of being the real founder of Fort Worth. By others Mr. J. Peter Smith is accorded great credit. Suffice it to say both were very great factors; Mr. Daggett donating freely and erecting business enterprises, and Mr. Smith speaking upon all occasions very forcibly in its defense. Mr. Daggett formed a construction company when the T. and P. R. R. was first surveyed, in a straight line from Dallas to Weatherford, missing Fort Worth by five miles, and had favorable legislation agitated and material aid given; had a re-survey made and the road to come through Fort Worth. He gave 97 colored slaves as an inducement to get T. and P. through the city. This family has always been very liberal in inducing railroads into the city. Mr. E. M. Daggett, our present real estate magnate, after whom Daggett Avenue was named, gave 26 lots in interest of having the Texas Central come.

Many hardships beset these early settlers. Supplies and goods were hauled on wagons from Shreveport and Houston, often consuming from one month to ten weeks. Everything was unusually high; calico 25c per yard, coffee 40c per pound, tobacco 50c per plug, flour \$5 per sack of 100 pounds. While supplies were high, game was plentiful, such as deer, bear and antelope could be found in abundance in what is now thickly populated districts of the city. Beef was never sold to neighbors then; one slaughtered an animal, all received parts without price.

The first real growth of the city began on its present square, Fields and Steele put up the first dry goods store on southeast corner of Houston and Weatherford streets, after which Jack Benson began a dry goods and Hardware establishment on northwest corner of Houston and Weatherford streets. So, from this early beginning, during the dark days of slavery, in the 50's, her growth has been magical. Captain Day and J. Peter Smith were two of her first mayors.

Since the clouds of war have cleared away and peace again reigns, Fort Worth has done her rapid growing, until to-day with her ten railroads, two packing houses and stock yards and every class of manufacturing known to human skill, and her population of over 50,000 souls, she classes herself among the country's great cities.

About one-sixth of her population is colored, and among them progressive men and women are found upon almost every street engaged in every class of business from dish washer to strong bank depositors.

We have men who are successful; doctors, drug store owners, barbers, lawyers, saloon men, tailors, fire insurance men, dry goods dealers, pharmacists, restaurant owners; in fact, anything a colored man wants can be had from members of his race. Every secret society and church is represented. The State's Masonic Temple is now under way of construction. A great, hospitable and business class of our race make their homes in the proud city.

There are only a few printed reminiscences of the history extant. Lots of its history is lost entirely; but from such as can be found, we see Mr. G. P. Farmer to be the first man to erect a house on the present site of the city. He and Mr. Edmund S. Terrel came here together and camped where at present the Texas & Pacific and Fort Worth & Rio Grande made a junction. A few days prior to this, Brevet-Major Arnold, in charge of 2nd Dragoons of the U. S. troops, came here, this being June, 1849, established a post in the valley of the river; this was one of many posts extending from the Red River to the Rio Grande, as a protection of the frontier against the Indians and Mexicans. He named the post Fort Worth for General William Worth, who made the first advance against Mexico City in 1847.

This brave band finally moved from the valley upon the high cliff near the public square, believing this to be a more healthy location, their offices being on corner Houston and Belknap Streets.

The County of Tarrant was organized in early part of the year 1850, and named after Brigadier-General E. H. Tarrant, who in 1841 commanded brigade composed of Cass, Red River, Fannin, Bowie and Lamar Counties.

Major Arnold is buried in the old city cemetery, he having met death at the hands of army surgeon. Many attempts have been made recently to erect a monument over his last resting place, but so far to no avail.

In 1860 the population was only 350 souls; so in 1872 Mr. J. W. Forney and Col. Tom Scott prevailed upon the people and had them donate 320 acres of land to Texas & Pacific Railroad, and from this date began the most substantial growth of the city.

The first district court in the city was presided over by ex-Governor O. M. Roberts. Birdville was the county seat from 1850 to 1855, when, in a rude court house, it removed to this city.

The troops now leaving the old fort, Archie Roberson and M. T. Johnson took charge of the old sites, and the property the city now stands upon.

The first court house was built in 1860, being destroyed by fire March 29, 1876. Most of the old records of the city were lost; only enough to inform us that at this date property no worth from \$25,000 to \$100,000 could be bought for from \$25 to \$150.

The city was incorporated February 17, 1873. The T. & P. reached the limits of Fort Worth July 19, 1876, and after four years pushed on towards El Paso.

The first newspaper was a weekly, "The Fort Worth Democrat," edited by K. M. Van Zandt & Co.

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- Don't miss Sunday-school—even one Sunday.
- Don't tell a lie.
- Don't steal.
- Don't put your hands on other people's things.
- Don't mistake your playmates.
- Don't talk back to your parents.
- Don't fail to speak a kind word to everyone.
- Don't attempt to court earlier than 20.
- Don't keep late hours.
- Don't keep bad company.
- Don't drink beer.
- Don't get arrested.
- Don't dispute your friends word.
- Don't be a fool.
- Don't be a pimp.
- Don't scorn your mate because your clothes are better than his for he may be better than you.
- Don't pretend you are going to one place and go to another.
- Don't be a liar.
- Don't be too gay.
- Don't fail to attend church and Sunday School.
- Don't fail to help any worthy cause.
- Don't laugh too much.
- Don't spend all you earn for clothes; put a few pennies in a savings bank.

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- DR. MOSELY—Office 110 E. 9th St.; office phone 1603 white; old phone 2939.
- DR. R. T. McDANIELS—Office 1411½ Main St.; office phone 360 new; residence 121 White St.; residence phone 1151 white.
- DRS. HUGHES & MURCHISON—Office corner 10th and Rusk; phone 1249 new. Dr. Murchison, residence 1005 E. 3rd St.; residence phone 1969 new, old phone 2913. Dr. Hughes, residence 1212 E. 17th St.
- DR. F. W. ADAMS—Office 1411½ Main St.; office phone 777 red; residence, 503 Josephine; residence phone 1174 new, old phone 4365.
- DR. G. R. TOWNSEND—Office 1411½ Main; office phone 777 red; residence, New York and Allen Avenues; residence phone, 1914 red, old phone 777.
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- G. H. JACKSON—Rooms and board, East 12th Street, North Fort Worth.
- W. JOHNSON—Short orders; east Cotton Belt Depot, North Fort Worth.
- NELSON J. MEBANE—Ice cream and confectionaries; phone 2633-1r; 1119 E. 12th St.
- MRS. T. C. ANDERSON—Board and rooms; 311 West 13th St., and 13½ Throckmorton; phone 1576 white.
- MRS. MARY JOHNSON—Board and rooms; 350 West 15th Street.
- MRS. CASSIE THOMAS—Board and rooms; 909 Jones St.; phone 1478 red.
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- E. J. DAVIS—Short orders, restaurant, 810 E. 4th St.
- N. KING—Short orders; 1607 Camp St.
- MRS. M. WATERS—Board and rooms; 1400 Crump St.

- MRS. SUSAN WHITMORE—Board and rooms, 324 West 15th Street.
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MRS. E. B. GATES—Board and rooms; 201 E. 14th St.
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MRS. L. C. PEACE—Rooms, phone 2200 old; 801 East 9th St.
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MRS. MARY INGRAM—Board and rooms; 1117 Calhoun St.
MRS. SALLIE DIXON—Hotel, board and rooms; phone 955 new; 1503 Calhoun St.
MRS. MATTIE ANDERSON—Board and rooms; 906 Grove St.
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SHELTON & DAVIS—Phone 1168 white; 311 W. 13th St.
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CHAS. P. BROOKS—Phone 2133-1r; 117 W. 11th St.
SHEPHERD & ASHFORD—Tailors and dry goods dealers; phone 1767 new; 105 E. 12th St.
G. C. ELLIS—205 E. 11th St.
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FORT WORTH'S COLORED BARBERS' DIRECTORY.

- JAMES HUDSON—Phone 1549 white; 112 E. 9th St.
F. C. CARTER—1213 Main St.
J. L. PARKER—316 W. 13th St.
LYONS & MADDOX—Star Barber Shop; phone 887 new; 115 E 10th St.
W. B. TAYLOR—Corner 12th and Rusk Sts., North Fort Worth.
J. J. JOHNSON—Phone 612 new; 110 Main St.
J. A. THOMAS—111 West 12th St.
J. JOHNSON—Beaumont Shop, 1222 Rusk St.
PYLES & LEATHERS—Barbers; two stands in city: 109 E. 12th, 318 W. 13th.
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- G. H. JACKSON—Cold drinks; East 12th.
- J. W. JOHNSON—Beer and cold drinks; east Cotton Belt Depot, North Fort Worth.
- WALTON & HOLLINSWORTH—Whiskeys, beers, etc.; North Fort Worth.
- JEFF JACKSON—Popular 77 Saloon; whiskeys, beers, etc.; 305 W. 13th St.
- JEFF DAGGART—Whiskeys, beers, etc.; phone 1262 new; 311 E. 9th St.
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- N. KING—Groceries; 1607 Crump St.
- H. WILLIAMS & SON—Groceries; phone 1139, new; 803 E. 5th St.
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- H. BAKER—Phones 1516, new, 4698-3r, old; 1117 S. Calhoun St.
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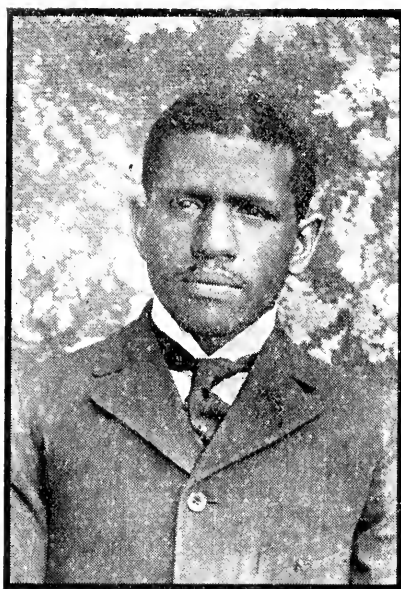
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J. M. MOSS—Saloon and restaurant; phone 53-2r; cor. 9th and Jones St.
GOLDEN RULE MILLINERY CO.—Fine hats, etc.; cor 4th and Houston Sts.
W. H. BLAIR—Saloon; 400 Elizabeth St.
W. B. BOYD—Groceries; phone 619-4r; 101 Jersey Lane.
S. L. GEROCK—Groceries; phone 619 old, 861 new; cor. 14th and Crump.
A. M. STEPHENS—Groceries; 305 E. 15th. St.
O. SMITH—Hamburgers; 1207 Houston St.
THE HOUSTON FURNITURE CO.—R. A. Patrick, manager; phone 554 new; 1107 Houston St.
JIBRON NAGGAR—Dry goods; 1111 Houston St.
I. E. UTTER—Dry goods, groceries and millinery; 610 Houston St. and 800 E. 1st Sa.



Business Men



M. D. DUNCAN.

The subject of this sketch, one of Fort Worth's most prominent colored tailors, was born in Calvert, Texas, September 30, 1880. He finished courses in public schools of Calvert and Waco in early life and soon thereafter began to turn his entire attention and talent to the tailoring business. He served as an apprentice for quite a while under Mr. J. T. Hill of Selma, Ala., and after five years launched into the trade for himself in the city of Dallas, being the first colored tailor in this city and, quite efficient, his success was immediate.

He married Miss Mary L. Weekley, a charming young lady who, like himself, is quite efficient as a seamstress and tailoress.

His trade is very large, consisting of notly his own race, but he does work for many of the most tasteful white dressers of the city. He makes the suits in his own shop and carries all the latest designs. He is a growing young business man, doing business in two locations in the city. His office and main shop is located at 1405 Calhoun St., Fort Worth, Texas.

MRS. H. T. RANDLE,

of North Fort Worth, Texas.

Another bright star among the constellation of colored teachers, was born in Bastrop County, Texas, on a farm, where she re-

mained until three years ago, when she and her faithful husband, Mr. W. L. Randle, moved to this city. Her education was obtained in her home school and Guadalupe College, Hearne, Texas. For a number of years she taught in Bastrop County, and since coming to this city has been busily engaged in her chosen profession. She was married in 1892 to Mr. W. L. Randle, of Gonzales, Texas, and they have lived happily together. This faithful worker is also a strong factor in her society, the S. M. T. They own a pleasant home in North Fort Worth.

WILLIAM ABRAM.

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness and others have it thrust upon them, is very true, but the subject of this sketch achieved his. Born in Alabama in 1862, came to Texas 12 years ago and began life as laborer in lumber yard and here he remained for eight years. By careful use of his means earned, he has bought two beautiful and valuable lots on 110 East 4th St., one a business lot upon which he runs a successful grocery, and the other upon which his hospitable home is located. We have always found him to be a true gentleman in every respect.

TOM MASON.

A respected and successful business man, was born in Tennessee about 1860, came to Fort Worth without anything and began laboring as an ordinary day laborer. By thrift and careful economy he is now among Fort Worth's colored men of means. He and his very pleasant wife domicile in a beautiful cottage on East 6th St., while they have other possessions in different parts of the city.

SHEPHERD & ASHFORD

Is the style of the very progressive firm of haberdashers and tailors and dealers in fancy hose, handkerchiefs, supporters, etc. This firm of young colored men is a decided success and from the day of their organization have steadily grown. They are nicely and centrally located, and their store presents as neat and clean an appearance as any in the city.

Mr. Shepherd of this firm has had much experience in his line as an apprentice in a white shop. He began for himself on Front Street, about six years ago, and as his business grew, moved thence to 1115 Houston Street, thence to West 11th Street and Houston Street. At this number his pleasant and genteel partner, Mr. R. Ashford, cast his lot with him, forming the firm of Shepherd & Ashford. They are progressive, yet genteel and polite, and to meet them is to form in some way that peculiar feeling of high esteem and respect which exists between a customer and a courteous business firm. They deserve every dollar's trade they get.

Mr. S. S. Shepard was born in Denison, Grayson County, Texas,

during the year 1874, but for the past twenty years has made his home in Fort Worth. Mr. R. Ashford, the junior member of the firm, was born in Navasota, Texas, during the year 1883, and has spent the last four years in the city.

PROF. JAMES E. GUINN,

1106 Jarvis Street, Principal of South Side Public School.

Was born October 15, 1866, and educated in the Fort Worth High School and Central Tennessee College, Nashville, Tenn. For the past six years he, assisted by a strong force of able assistant raising each year the standard of the school. He is quite proficient and an able, Christian gentleman.

The following lady teachers instruct the grades here mentioned:

Miss C. Thompson, First Grade.

Miss Laura B. Terry, Second Grade.

Miss E. J. Hughes, Third Grade.

Miss P. W. Collins, Fourth Grade.

Miss M. V. Wilkerson, Fifth Grade.

Prof. James E. Guinn, Sixth Grade.

The school is a great success under the management of this strong faculty and the author finds universal satisfaction among the students towards the teachers. It rather reminds one of a great family than a school. The present enrollment is 390.

S. E. COLLINS.

The subject of this sketch was born in Waller County, Texas, in the year of 1871; educated in his home school and Prairie View State Normal; after completing his studies we find him for the next nine years successfully engaged in the profession of teaching. His ability as a teacher and his standing as a high-toned moral leader has never been questioned; but, like many other great men who had set their aims high, he resolved about three years ago to make another advance, and so enters the hard test in an examination for the position as an inspector of meats under the Department of Meat Inspection of the United States. Though rigid, he was one among the few who scaled the Alps of success, and was duly appointed by the United States Government to said position with Armour & Swift in this city. His ability in his chosen profession is unquestioned and he stands today a living example of the possibilities of the Negro youth in our great commonwealth. He is an upright and strong, exemplary character in our city.

PROF. J. A. BLACKBURN.

The above named gentleman was born in Alexander, Va., during the year of 1849. Like all unfortunate members of his race at that time, had no school advantages, save those made by himself. It is needless to say his parents were poor, for at this date all Negroes were being then slaves. So it is clear to see that this grand man

first saw light under very adverse circumstances, with an expectation to reach any position of distinction. He enlisted in the Tenth cavalry at Washington City September 10, 1867, and for a number of years lost sight of all except the flag of the country of his adoption. He knows what it is to suffer privation and the hardships of cruel war, upon the march; no, the firing line, and upon the camp stool, though very hard, he served out his term, received an honorable discharge and then moved to Fort Worth, when it was none else than a staggering back woods village. He owned valuable property here at that time, or property on Main street, which has since grown so by the expansion and growth of the city. It is quite a treat to meet him, who is by nature pleasant, and hear the pioneer stories of the early growth of the city.

After a few years' residence in Fort Worth he moved to Denton County, Texas, and taught school for 16 years, returning to Fort Worth in 1893. Was employed in the city schools of Fort Worth for a period of five years, after which he resigned, August, 1898, to accept a position under the United States Government in the Federal Building in this city. He resigned this January 10, 1905, and engaged in the mercantile business for the short period of one year. Finding his services once more being sought by the government he accepted the contract to handle the mails out from the Federal building, said position he now holds to the entire satisfaction of the officers concerned. His contract lasts until July 1st, 1910.

TAYLOR H. HARRISON.

Mr. Taylor H. Harrison was born in Winden, Webster Parish, La., August 4, 1872, on a farm. After reaching the age of 8 or 9 years the family moved with him to Homer, Claiborn Parish, La., where he was reared on a farm. In 1889 they moved into the town of Homer, where Mr. Harirson learned his first lesson as a business man, working for two years in the dry goods establishment of Brakeen Bros. He moved from here to Fort Worth, and again established himself as a man of integrity and honesty, working for two months with the firm of W. H. Taylor, after which he threw his fortunes further West, moving to Marfa, Presidio Co., Texas, where he secured work as a cook for Taylor and Ferguson, on a ranch; from thence to San Dieago, Cal., still following his line of work as a cook, for three months. From here to Portland, Oregon, where he spent his time as a porter in a bank. After quite awhile out of the old State of Texas, which was ever dear to him, we find him again to return to Fort Worth, securing work with Mr. B. B. Paddock as coachman, which position he held for three years; then to C. W. Connally's drug store as porter for four years, and next succeeded in securing the work as head janitor in the Wheat building, which he held to the satisfaction of all for two years and six months. He took an examination for a position as janitor in the Federal building on March 18, 1904, and passed, so on July 21, of same year, was appointed to this post, and has until the present

time, served to the satisfaction of the U. S. Government. He is quite active in the interest of his race, church and friends, and societies, being Pastmaster of Perfection Masonic Lodge, No. 101, also Recorder for the Royal Arch Chapter, and Comamnder and Secretary of both departments. He married Miss Carrie Yickers, of Dallas, during the year 1894.



JAMES S. LEWIS.

Was born July 3d, 1874, about three miles east of Rogers Prairie, Leon County, Texas. Learned his first lesson in Webster's Blue-back Speller at the age of eight years, being instructed by some white children by the name of Ewing. He entered the public school at the age of 10 years at Rogers Prairie, in a small country school, under Prof. Wesley Green as teacher. Spent three years under Professor Green, and four years under Professor John D. Smith, a brother-in-law of Mr. Green's, at this school, and during the long vacations of the school he worked on a farm owned by Mr. J. B. Ewing, and during the same time studied very hard and received instruction from the Ewing family. At the age of 17 he confessed religion and joined the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, of which Rev. Shed Horn was pastor. In the same year he went to Midway and entered the high school under Dr. McClellan, and spent two terms, after which he returned home and passed a successful examination, secured a school and began teaching at San Prairie, Madison County, Texas. After his school closed, returned home and began work on the farm, made a crop, and began taking lessons un-

der the Smith brothers, J. D. and H. S. Smith, the president of the East Texas Normal and Industrial Institute, located at Jacksonville, Texas. Taking the advice of these two brothers he left in the fall of 1895 for Austin, Texas, where he entered Tillotson College, and spent partially three years. He then returned to his old home, Rogers Prairie, and began teaching about four miles east at a place called Goliad, Leon County, Texas. At the close of school he went to Austin, where he spent a few days with his mother, and then left for Ft. Worth, Texas, where he resided since 1900. He was the first president of the Fort Worth Y. M. C. A. Col. He has been very active in the Baptist Churches of the city, especially those that stand for the plans and policies of the General Convention. A few years ago, when Dr. L. L. Campbell of Austin, Texas, the president of the General Convention, began to agitate the correlated scheme of our denominational schools in Texas, there was not a layman in North Texas who played a more active part in supporting the correlated scheme than he. He has been an active member of the Baptist Church for the past 18 years. He has also been a member of Altavista Lodge, No. 67, K. of P., of Fort Worth, since April, 1901, and has held every station in the Lodge. He was elected by the members of his lodge to represent them in the Grand Lodge, which will convene in Houston in June, 1907. At present he is employed by U. S. Government in Federal Building. He is now offered a position in East Texas Industrial Normal, and it is optional with him. Prof. H. S. Smith, president. His great efforts have been made in the interest of the churches, education and societies of Fort Worth.

I. W. JONES

Was born in North Carolina in 1859. He had very poor school advantages. He attended school only four months after coming to Texas, at age of five years; then moved to San Antonio, Nevada and New Mexico where he served as a cowboy. He cooked at a first-class hotel during his stay in San Antonio, and also served two years as a cotton sampler, until 1899, leaving here went to New Mexico. He served as janitor at Roswell, New Mexico, for six years; leaving this city, came to Fort Worth. He spent nine years in Denison as a cotton sampler. He owns valuable property in more than one city, four lots in Denison, two in Roswell, N. M., and a very valuable home in this city. He has always served as janitor since living in this city, first at the Reynolds Building, and at present holds this position at the Postoffice.

He takes an active part in secret societies, and the affairs which tend to elevate and benefit his race.



JOSHUA PYLES

Mr. Joshua Pyles was born on a farm in Calhoun county, Ala., April 12, 1857. Like many other men of our race, who have done well, he was born of very poor parents, both of whom died when he was quite a child. He was too small at their death to remember either. He has no sisters and an only brother, whom he has met but once in 42 years. He came to Texas during the year 1865, and began life here as a common laborer for Dr. Smart, father of a Dr. Smart of Dallas, who has made quite a reputation in that city as a health officer. After twelve months here he moved ten miles south of Henderson, Rusk county, Texas, and worked on a farm owned by McAnully for a period of one year, and from thence to Mansfield, Tarrant county, one year, and then to Johnson Station one year, and to Fort Worth in the year 1869.

Being quite frugal and trustworthy he has slowly but steadily worked his way from an humble orphan boy to a position among the men of worth and financial standing of his race. He has held responsible positions of trust under the State government, as well as in many cities. He served as janitor at the State Capitol for ten years, beginning during the administration of Hon. James S. Hogg, serving at intervals for both the Senate and the House. He opened the first bath business owned by and operated for colored people in this city, and purchased and put into use the first high-class porcelain tubs for their exclusive use. He has been one of this city's most popular barbers for the past twenty-five years.

Married the first time Miss Liza Ann Thompson. During their twelve years of union three bright boys and three intelligent girls

came to bless and glorify their home. His wife, oldest and youngest daughter, and two grand-children were drowned in the Galveston flood. One girl and two boys by this first union died. He raised one son, John Lindsey, from four years of age, without a mother, to noble manhood. He graduated him from the high school of this city and sent him to Northwestern University of Chicago, where he graduated from a course in pharmacy, with much honor, being the only colored boy to receive this degree during the year. He then sent him to Selma, Ala., where he began a brilliant career as pharmacist in a successful drug store owned by a very prominent colored man, Dr. Thomas. After one month he was forced to abandon his work and go in search of lost health. His father sent him to the leading health resorts of the country, but he finally, on October 31, 1906, succumbed to the fatal attacks of consumption. His funeral was quite a solemn affair in this city, being attended by almost the whole city. By the loss of him one of the brightest stars in the constellation among the young professional colored men of this city passed into what we hope a field where no physician save that of a fair and impartial Redeemer, administers to all alike. He was an exemplary young man, obedient to his father as a child, loving to his friends and of high repute. His loss was one not only to his family, but to the colored race. At his funeral Rev. Prince Jones officiated.

Mr. J. Pyles married his second wife, Mrs. Susan McCoy, in March, 1901. She, being a widow, was the mother of one daughter, who is esteemed by Mr. Pyles as he would his own child. He has sent her to Mary Allen Seminary, Crockett, Texas, two terms, and to Prairieview for five terms. His second wife, as well as himself, owned valuable property in this city, and after marrying she sold hers and part of his, putting their money together purchased one-half block in a most desirable place and improved it to their own satisfaction. They live in a beautiful home today, and his affectionate wife, himself, children and step-children live together as happy and contented as if all were related by blood.

He is a great lover of his race, and has demonstrated it by his liberal donations to them and active parts taken in their churches and lodges. He is a father here among the secret societies, being a member of many, among them the K. of P.'s, U. B. T.'s, Masons, Seven Stars, Odd Fellows and others. He is C. C. of our K. of P. lodge, Grand Outer Guard of another, and District Deputy of the U. B. F. He also owns two of among the city's finest and best barber shops. He is a great man and of much service to his race here.



JAMES ANDERSON CAVILE.

The subject of this sketch is one of the most interesting in this city. He was born one mile southwest of Mosevall, Limestone County, Alabama, October 16, 1840. This was five miles north of Decatur, Alabama, on the Tennessee River. His owner was Nathaniel Terry, a very wealthy farmer, who owned over 175 slaves. Mr. Cavile drove a carriage and distributed mail free of charge to the farmers in his neighborhood. The names of some of those to whom he distributed were Tom Travis, Porter Bibb, William Bibb and Dr. Sydney Harris.

At age of 16 he was hired out by his master to assist in opening a railroad, and his duty was to drive a wagon and distribute water and jiggers, or whiskey, to the railroad hands, 50 or 60 of which were colored, three times a day. He was hired for \$20 per month by his master, but being quite energetic, he arose early each morning and awoke the other hands, and for this extra service received \$15 per month over pay, which went into his own pockets. The contractors under whom he worked were named Miller and Braden: he worked for them sixteen months, after which his master left Alabama and moved, in April, 1854, to Aberdeen, Miss., where for seven months he worked on a farm, not receiving anything like good treatment from those to whom he was hired he ran away. His master having lost heavily on account of the forfeiture of a bond, was compelled to sell his slaves down from 175 to 36, and losing much property, came with Mr. Cavile to Fort Worth, Texas, October 31, 1854, and settled on what is now Herman Park, half way between the court house and the packing houses. His home was where the Avenue car line now ends, at where there is at present an unmarked soldier's cemetery of the soldiers who protected the frontier against Mexican and Indian Invasions. Major Arnold was in command at this time. His master purchased 1,000 acres, a part of which at present is Herman Park. He gave two and a half acres to cemetery company for the soldiers, while other parties gave two and a half acres more.

They found only one store here, owned by Mr. Henry Daggett, brother to Captain E. M. Daggett, the father of Mr. Eph Daggett. The store was located on what is now Belknap Street, about 100 feet east of Second Ward white school, on west side of Taylor Street, on north side of Belknap Street, where at present Mrs. Newton lives. At this time this city was a wilderness and a prairie, and the land was offered upon the market, where the city now stands at from 12 1-2 to 25c per acre. The county seat was at Birdville, six miles northeast of the present court house, near the stream of Big Fossil.

Three elections were held in the early 50's to determine whether the county seat should remain at Birdville or be brought to Fort Worth. In the first much bloodshed took place; men marched out and fired the fatal shot at one another, and many were killed, among them Captain Jack Benson, Wilburn brothers, Bob Slaugh-

ter of Kentucky, and Tucker, a tailor; so Birdville retains the county seat. In election No. 2, Fort Worth won the county seat. This not giving satisfaction, they decided to survey the county of Tarrant, and put it in the center, and found the center to be half way between Fort Worth and Birdville. In election No. 3, the center, being only a wilderness, yielded it to Fort Worth. So in 1855 the affairs of the county were moved to the city.

When he reached Fort Worth in slavery he says he found the Independence flag flying in the woods in the present court house yard. Major Arnold's quarters was a two-story log house with a long hall and a rock chimney on corner of Belknap and Houston Streets, where at present a saloon is run, and the barracks extending from Major Arnold's quarters on Belknap west to Taylor Street. The soldiers camped in front of Major Arnold's quarters on north side of Belknap, west to Taylor Street. This was a place of refuge during Indian raids, although they rarely if ever, killed any Indians. He says as best he can remember, the soldiers were discharged just before the Civil War began, and their artillery shipped to one of the old and historic forts of San Antonio.

Many forts were around this city at that time, among them Fort Belknap, Fort Davis and Fort Graham. Fort Graham is between 65 and 75 miles southwest of here, and it was at this place under very inexplicable circumstances that Major Arnold met his death at the hands of one of his army sergeants. He was at first buried at Fort Graham, after which Colonel M. T. Johnson and Jack Benson had Daniel Johnson, a colored man, take a wagon to the Fort, unearth the body and bring to Fort Worth to bury. He had two sons buried here in a rock vault, and many have mistaken him to be buried therein with them, but he is not; was placed by their side on the outside of the vault. Mr. Richard King, who now lives on Samuel Avenue, assisted in this burial. He says railroads were the immediate cause of the growth of the city.

Mr. Cavile states that on account of the scarcity of white soldiers in this section during the Civil War, he and 2,000 other colored were used on the Confederate side as commissary men, teamsters, ditchers and builders of fortifications, etc., and he served as commissary man under Captain Norwood, Major Campbell and Captain Fields, who was transportation quartermaster for the distribution of rations to the soldiers from the beginning of the Civil War until peace was an assurance in 1865. His work was to distribute rations to the soldiers.

On a heavy, foggy, cloudy morning in 1867 a squad of thirty-six Indians made a raid on Fort Worth, near the present site of the packing houses. They were successful in capturing a horse and saddle, also a bunch of horses from Jesse Booker, colored, who was then herding them. He hurried to town, gave the alarm, and Mr. Cavile with a band of troops under his command was ordered out, and they pursued them to the Palo Pinto Mountains, above Mineral Wells, and at a later date he drove a band of Indians from

Fort Worth to the Table Mountains in Jack County, this being the last Indian raid on Fort Worth.

Mr. Cavile bought block 30, now between Weatherford Street and Second, for \$220 at that time, and paid for it in one year. This purchase was made in 1870, and at that time only three houses were between him and the court house. The First Ward School is now on part of this property. He still lives on this property, and all of his children, each of which he gave a good common school education, live around him, he having given all a neat and valuable home. His number is 907 East First Street

He married Miss Nancy Johnson in slavery, the house girl of Mr. Alfred Johnson, in Tennessee. This wife died of measles, leaving him and six children—two boys and four girls. He was married the second time to Widow Hannah Adams in 1879, and they are blessed with four boys and one girl, all of whom he has given a common school education. In education he has been the father of Negro schools and education in this city, being closely associated with Judge C. C. Cummings, the father of Hon. Jordan Cummings, now an attorney of this city. Before the colored man had a single school in Tarrant County, he was instrumental in organizing them. Hon. C. C. Cummings came to Mr. Cavile in person about the fall of '72 or '73, and asked him to his home and in the presence of his wife and family employed him to represent him as a candidate for County Judge, promising in return to assist him, if elected, in establishing schools for the colored of the city and county. At this time it was the law for all to attend school together; it was very unpopular, so Judge Cummings promised to establish colored schools, if elected. Mr. Cavile assisted, and Judge Cummings was elected. He appointed Mr. Cavile president of a board of colored trustees for Tarrant County, and empowered him to organize colored school for the first time in Tarrant County. He organized Fort Worth, Twelfth Street School; Walker Settlement School, eight miles northeast of city on Village Creek; Mosier Valley, about eighteen miles east of town; Johnson Station, fifteen miles east of town; Mansfield, twenty miles south of Fort Worth; Live Oak Grove, two miles southwest of court house; White Settlement, eight miles due west.

He served as trustee about six or eight years under Judge Cummings, remaining as long as colored trustees were used in a body. He represented Judge W. D. Harris, the present Mayor of the city, twice for County and twice for District Judge, and he too was successful each time, and to-day they are friends, and we are informed these men have always been friends to the colored man.

He was elected to the State Legislature during the days of reconstruction, but would not go, because he says he felt he could not perform the duty.

He purchased the lot on which Morning Chapel C. M. E. Church now stands, in 1873, paying for same \$150. He bought this property from Stephen Terry, and had a church in course of erection, and it fell before he completed the building, when he

succeeded in raising \$100 more and re-built. They began the present granite structure in 1884, and completed it in 1905. He has had a very hard struggle in the interest of the very heavy debt carried by this church, from the time it was begun. He has ever jeopardized his property in its defense, and without his aid and that of Mr. Tom Mason's and a white friend, Mr. Geo. Mulkey, long since the property would have passed into other hands. But he worked, prayed, paid and sacrificed until the property's last dollar of incumbrance was moved. He is a wonderful man, and is highly respected for his real worth by everybody, regardless of race. He never spent a day in school. He is at present in easy circumstances, but can still be seen every day upon his express wagon on the streets of Fort Worth. He is a great colored man.

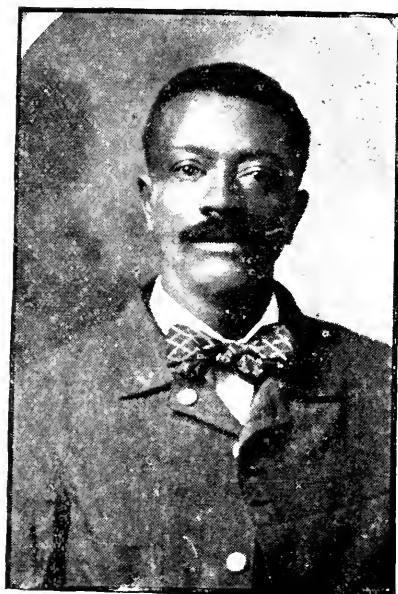


WILLIAM M. WREN,

One of the city's very worthy society and church leaders, was born in Louisiana during the year 1852. He is a good man, and an active church member. He is at present deacon of St. James Baptist Church, also past chancellor commander of Alivestor Lodge. By careful economy he has accumulated a nice home and possibly, a few dollars for a rainy day. He has no family, his wife having died one year ago. He has a beautiful home in South Fort Worth

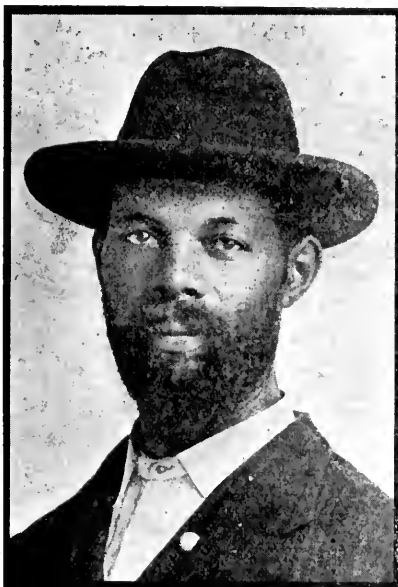


MRS. ALICE GATHER



MR. PETER GATHER

The author feels under many obligations to both Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gather for the many favors shown during the many weary weeks of labor on this History and Directory. We were well treated by them, and every courtesy and favor was shown during each day spent on this book. We find them to be most agreeable people with whom to board. We shall ever remember them as we travel and write in other cities for our people.



JAY W. TAYLOR.

Was born in Upshur County, Texas, November 4, 1866, at a saw-mill. He moved to Longview, Texas, during the year of 1876, and remained until 1884. He has always been very much interested in the newspaper and literary world to a very great extent and has made quite a reputation as a successful newspaper manager.

He began his career in the newspaper business as an apprentice on the Longview Democrat, and Texas New Era, white papers. When he came to Fort Worth he spent eight years working at the rubber stamp and stencil business. His first venture in the newspaper business for himself was the establishment of the "Weekly Chronicle," which lived for one year only. This was in the year 1886. He began the publication of the "Item" in this city during the year of 1891, which he has run until the present. The "Item" was sold to Dallas parties in 1898, and after a short while they allowed it to go down, after which Mr. Taylor resumed its publication again. Having never married, he gives all of his time to his paper.

Mr. Taylor is quite efficient in his chosen profession, and much credit is given him by his townsmen.

MRS. M. L. BOON.

The subject of this sketch was born in Memphis, Tennessee, August 13, 1884. She always had the privilege of regular attendance in school and so early in life completed her school career and ventured upon the rough and uncertain sea of business, and from the beginning her success was good. Having excellent training as a seamstress and milliner, she chose as her life's work sewing, cutting, fitting, hat and hair dressing and the other arts of her profession. The ladies of the city who select to appear regularly in society dressed according to the mandates of the latest styles, always express very great satisfaction if Mrs. Boon executes the work. She married Mr. R. R. Boon, a professional cook of very high repute in the great hotels of the country. At present Mrs. Boon is connected with the millinery establishment of Mrs. M. F. Brooks, and in their shop neat and accurate work is done.

These are two experts in their line, Mrs. Brooks having completed a thorough course in the line chosen. Their work is of the best, and should so impress our best dressers to the extent that the two ladies might be always busy. They may be found at 111 West Twelfth Street.

Like all thoughtful people of thrift and economy, Mrs. Boon and her husband have accumulated well, and live in a beautiful, well improved home of their own at 1112 Arizona Avenue. We have always found them pleasant and of a very loving disposition.



MR. R. R. BOON



J. C. SCOTT, 33°.

J. C. Scott was born in Upshur County, near Coffeerville, Texas, November 4, 1863. Opportunities being small in this community, he at an early age left East Texas, for the golden west, in the year 1876. After spending two or three years about Fort Worth, he returned to Longview in East Texas, where he began his career as a railroader. After working up to a section foreman on the Texas & Pacific Railway, he quit in 1882 at Dallas and learned the cotton shipping business, which he followed constantly until February, 1892. Coming back to Fort Worth, he engaged in the printing business with his brother, Jay W. Taylor, in 1892, severing his connection therewith in 1903 to return to railroad service. He has been since and is now porter in the I. & G. N. R. R., M. K. & T. Ry., and the Fort Worth & Denver City Ry. city offices.

Mr. Scott, though having attended school intermittently during his youth, lays no claim to scholarship, but by constant study, much reading and some travel, he has fairly mastered the English language. Mr. Scott is noted as a fraternity man, having attained the thirty-third degree in Masonry, being the third colored man in Texas to receive that exalted degree, and is the only thirty-third degree Mason in Fort Worth. He received his first three degrees in Masonry in Paul Drayton Lodge No. 9, at Dallas, in November, 1884, and reached the climax degree in Cleveland, Ohio, August, 1899. He is at present Master of Pride of Texas Lodge No. 82,

this city. He was Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in Texas from 1888 until 1906, and has been Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star (Masonic women) from 1893 up to the present year.

Mr. Scott is also the popular chancellor commander of Magic Lodge No. 144, Knights of Pythias of this city. Mr. Scott is famous throughout the Masonic universe as a Masonic teacher, proficient in all its various branches.

Mr. Scott has a wife, a lady of refined tastes and an excellent housekeeper, having married Miss Anice J. Walker at Dallas in 1887. They have six children, five boys and one girl. By frugal living and hard work they have accumulated a nice home and some other property.

A casual acquaintance with Mr. Scott would not judge him to be popular and philosophical J. C. Scott, whom we have read about.

Some Facts About Ft. Worth

It has ten different railroads. Texas and Pacific was the first road here by nearly 12 years. The packing house and stock yards were opened in 1903. It has nearly 70 miles of sewer. It has nearly 100 miles of street. It manufactures nearly 12,000 barrels of flour per day. Its population is near the 50,000 mark. It has about 7,000 colored population. It has 12 colored churches and three colored schools. Fort Worth has two first-class thoroughly equipped colored drug stores, using experienced pharmacists and best line of fresh drugs; one belonging to Dr. J. M. Mosely, East Ninth street, and the other the property of L. Adams. It has one colored mail carrier, Mr. Pratt. It furnishes every man a job of work who comes here, regardless of color. Its white citizens treat the colored man very nicely in every way. Some of the best colored people in the world live here. New additions on their line, now being made by North Texas Traction Street Car Co.

Church Directory

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH.

Corner Thirteenth and Jones Streets.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching.	11:00 a. m.
B. Y. P. U.	6:00 p. m.
Preaching	8:00 p. m.

Covenant and sacrament every fourth Sunday.

Week Day Services.

Choir practice each Tuesday and Friday night.

Prayer and praise services every Wednesday night.

Women's Missionary Society every Monday, 3 p. m.

What-I-Can Society each Tuesday, 4 p. m.

Bible Fireside School meets Wednesday eve, 4 p. m.

Official board every Friday night before each first Sunday.

Church business meeting, Monday night after each first Sunday

MORNING CHAPEL C. M. E. CHURCH.

Corner Fifth and Crump Streets.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching.	11:00 a. m.
Preaching, night, in winter.....	8:00 p. m.
Preaching, night, in summer.....	7:30 p. m.

Church conference every first Sunday p. m.

Women's Missionary and class services every Sunday p. m.

Official board meeting, Monday night, 8 p. m.

Choir practice, Tuesday night, 8 p. m.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday night, 8 p. m.

S. S. teachers' meeting, Thursday night, 8 p. m.

Choir practice, Friday night, 8 p. m.

Sacramental services every first Sunday.

You are invited. REV. G. H. HARLLEE, D. D., Pastor.

ALLEN CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH.

Corner First and Elm Streets.

Come with us and we will do thee good. America and the world for Christ!

You are invited to worship with us in all our services.

Sunday Services.

Sunday prayer band	5:00 a. m.
Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching.	11:00 a. m.
General class meeting	3:00 p. m.
Christian Endeavor Society	4:00 p. m.

Preaching 7:45 p. m.
 Sacramental services on first Sunday in each month.
 Monthly consecration meeting of the Allen Y. P. S. C. E.,
 fourth Sunday in each month.

Week-Day Services.

Allen Chapel Missionary Society, Monday, 3:00 p. m.
 Official board meeting, Monday, 7:45 p. m.
 Church choir practice, Tuesday, 7:45 p. m.
 Regular class meeting, Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.
 Payne C. E. Literary Society, Thursday, 7:45 p. m.
 Junior C. E. choir practice, Friday, 4:00 p. m.
 Business' meeting, Busy Bee and Willing Worker Band, Friday,
 4 p. m.
 Regular prayer meeting, Friday, 7:45 p. m.
 S. S. teachers' meeting, Saturday, 7:45 p. m.
 S. S. choir practice, Saturday, 5:00 p. m.
 Rev. D. S. Moten, Pastor.
 Rev. C. A. Harris, M. D., Presiding Elder.
 Rt. Rev. E. Tyree, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

CORINTH BAPTIST CHURCH.

Series every second and fourth Sunday.
 Sunday School every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a. m.
 Services 11 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.; night services from 8:30 to
 10:30. You are welcome. REV. J. P. PHILLUPPS, Pastor.
 This is a young though decidedly zealous band of hard-working
 Christians.

MT. PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. H. W. Jackson, D. D., Pastor.

Sunday School 9:00 to 11:00 a. m.
 Preaching. 11:00 a. m.
 B. Y. P. U. 3:00 p. m.
 Prayer service 7:00 p. m.
 Preaching, night 8:00 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Missionary Society, Monday, 3 p. m.
 Prayer meeting, Monday, 7 p. m.
 Teachers' meeting, Tuesday, 7 p. m.
 Prayer meeting and preaching every Wednesday night; begin
 at 7 p. m.
 First and second Thursday nights in each month, Deacon's
 Board meets at, 7:30 p. m.
 Third and fourth Thursday night in each month, Trustee Board
 meets at 7:30 p. m.
 Choir practice every Friday night at 7:30 p. m.
 Starlight Band, Saturday, 3:00 p. m.
 Sacramental services every second Sunday.
 Covenant meeting every first Sunday.

REV. H. W. JACKSON, D. D., Pastor.

ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH.

Corner Second and Harden Streets.

Motto: Together we stand; divided we fall.

Sunday Services.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching.	11:00 a. m.
Praise services and Young People's Literary Society..	3:00 p. m.
Preaching	8:00 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

B. Y. P. U. every Tuesday night.
 General prayer meeting every Wednesday night.
 Preaching every Thursday night.
 S. S. teachers' meeting every Friday night.
 First Thursday night in each month, Deacons' Board meeting.
 First Friday in each month, general church meeting.
 Sacramental services, first Sunday in each month.

REV. J. S. SLAUGHTER, Pastor.

E. J. McLENDON, Clerk.

PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching.	11:00 a. m.
Preaching	7:00 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.
 Deacons' meetings every Monday night.
 Choir practice every Thursday night.

REV. A. J. AYERS, Former Pastor.

Pleasant Valley Church is a struggling small band of very faithful workers, striving hard to establish themselves firmly among other great churches. They need the strong support of every member. At present they have no pastor or house, only receiving a sermon from any faithful minister who gives them a call.

Trusting they may unite and be strong.

L. Pendivers, Octava Barton, W. C. Clark, Abe Young, deacons; Watson Barton, clerk.

SHILOH CHURCH DIRECTORY.

* North Fort Worth, Texas.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching every third Sunday.....	11:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U.....	3:00 p. m.
Preaching	7:30 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Monday night after third Sunday, conference.
 Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Corner Eleventh and Jones, North Fort Worth.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
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Preaching	11:00 a. m.
B. Y. P. U.	3:00 p. m.
Preaching	7:30 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Every first Monday night, church conference.

Every Tuesday night, Literary Society.

Every Wednesday night, prayer meeting.

S. S. teachers' meeting every Friday night.

REV. A. L. RUSSELL, Pastor.

J. V. RUSSELL, Superintendent.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH.

Corner Butler and Louisiana Avenue.

We extend an invitation to you to serve with us.

Sunday Services.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching	11:00 a. m.
B. Y. P. U.	4:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting	7:30 p. m.
Preaching	8:00 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Conference every first Monday night.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

REV. RILEY BELL, Pastor.

ANDREWS CHAPEL M. E. CHURCH.

315 East Terrell Street.

Motto: Be punctual in all things.

We invite you to come and share our worship.

Sunday Services.

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Preaching	11:00 a. m.
Peaching	3:00 p. m.
Preaching	7:45 p. m.

General class meeting second Sunday, 3 p. m.

Epworth League, third Sunday, 3 p. m.

Week-Day Services.

Leaders' and stewards' meeting, first and third Monday nights.

Trustee Board, fourth Monday night.

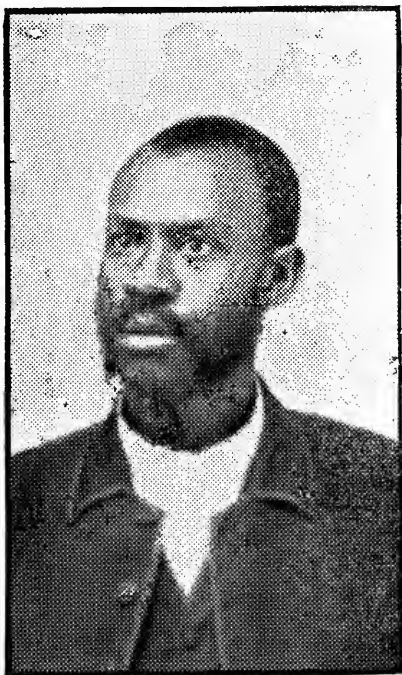
Literary department of Epworth League, every Tuesday night.

S. S. teachers' meeting every Wednesday night.

Class meeting every Thursday night.

Choir practice, every Friday night.

L. H. Richerson, Presiding Elder; N. B. Kirkpatrick, Secretary
Board Stewards. REV. A. BROWN, Pastor.



REV. H. W. JACKSON, D. D.,

Pastor Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas.

This name is familiar to every family in our great city. Rev Jackson is a great man and a strong moral and Christian factor here. He joined the Elam Baptist Church, five miles south of Hearne, Texas, in the year of 1876.

We first discovered him upon the public threshold as a teacher in a small private school at Elam in 1877, where he taught one year. Not satisfied with this humble position, we found him one year later, in 1878, succeed in securing a third grade county certificate, which he used as teacher for a part of that year only. But the great man always looked to higher ideals, so in 1879 another examination resulted in the securing of a second grade certificate, which he taught to the satisfaction of his patrons and students for three years.

He felt a call to the ministry in 1880, and in 1881 four churches petitioned his ordination. Two of them, Shiloh at Hearne and Good Will at Atlanta Junction, afterwards accepted his services as their pastor for 7 years.

In 1885 he was elected general missionary of Lincoln Association, also financial agent of Hearne Academy, in whose interest he traveled for two years. In 1886 he was exalted to the station of vice-moderator of Lincoln Association, and during the same year organized New Elam Church at Hearne, and successfully pastored it for five years. In 1887 he was called to the exalted pastoral

chair at Terrell, Texas, a position which he held for seven years. In 1892, to the sorrow of a satisfied congregation, he was chosen shepherd of the great congregation of Baptists at Mt. Pisgah, Fort Worth, Texas, and here, as at all of his other points, has proven a great and forcible expounder of gospel truths and an indefatigable laborer in the interest of his beloved congregation.

Rev. Jackson's achievements are too many to attempt to give in this limited space. He organized the North Texas Baptist Association in 1895, and has from then to now served them as moderator, to their entire satisfaction. He is at present vice-moderator of the State Convention, and has nobly served the denomination as S. S. Convention Treasurer for six years.

Not only has success crowned the brow of the great Spartan in an executive way, but in spiritual results he has performed glorious things, having baptized 1,000 converts, married 900 couples, ordained 25 elders and 100 deacons, organizing 50 churches, built 15 and repaired six. Still he is a man in the prime of life, successfully administering to a great and untiring fold.

While Rev. Jackson's record has been a great success, his faithful members and deacons have been always near to assist. The following strong officers are now supposing and striving under his noble administration:

Deacons—G. B. Conner, S. W. Moss, H. Moore, I. S. Bivens, W. M. McRuns, S. G. Collins, Sam Wiley.

Trustees—N. King, J. E. McConnell, R. S. Davis, J. S. Lewis, Jack Steel, G. L. Upshaw, clerk.

Mt. Pisgah's Women's Work.

Subject—Woman's Work in Home Missions in Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas.

And all the women that were wise-hearted, did spin with their hands, and brought that which they spun.—Exod. 35th chap., 23d verse.

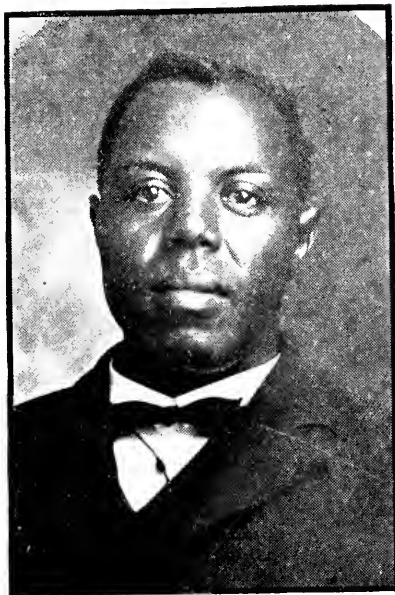
These women who labored with me in the gospel. Phil., 4th chap., 3d verse.

The above women assisted Paul in his church work. Even so have the women of Mt. Pisgah Church assisted me (pastor). Generally speaking, they have been tributary to the general organization. As in the church the spiritual power developed in the missionary prayer meeting held by the Mission Women every Monday. The Saving Society is made tributary to the augmentation of the general power of the church, so ordinarily the missionary interest developed by Woman Missionary Societies has been brought into vital relations with general organizations. There are some few of the women who bear the burdens in the great struggling world to establish a free principle in missions among the women of this city, and have stood for that the Negroes ought to do. Pastor H. W. Jackson, D. D., has been the vanguard in the mission work among

the Negro Baptists of this city and North Texas—one among the strong men of this country.

I now present these strong mission women, who have stood for years: Mrs. M. E. McConnell, Mrs. Katy Conner, Mrs. M. E. Fowler, Mrs. Delia Jackson, Mrs. M. Watters, Mrs. M. J. Watters, Mrs. M. J. Miller, Mrs. C. A. McNeal, Mrs. I. Moss, and Mrs. M. L. Miller, Mrs. Lulu Walton, Mrs. A. G. King, Mrs. A. Lawry, Mrs. Ida Russell, Mrs. Fanny Wiley.

The present officers of the Society: Mrs. S. J. Jones, President; Mrs. M. E. Fowler, Vice President; Mrs. Mary E. Jackson, Secretary; C. A. McNeal, Treasurer; Mrs. Libria Adams, Assistant Secretary, Rev. H. W. Jackson, D. D., Pastor.



REV. G. H. HARLEE, D. D.

Pastor Morning Chapel, C. M. E. Church.

The subject of this sketch was born in Caddo Parish, La., of slave parents, on a farm, January 16, 1870, where he remained until 17 years of age, attending school from three to six months each year, in a small village school at St. Paul, C. M. E. Church. His first teacher was one of the old-time school teachers who rarely had advanced above his students. Rev. Harlee enjoyed the pleasure of a visit to the home of his old teacher, Prof. Blair Hunt, while on a recent visit to Memphis, Tennessee. As a student he made rapid success, and while still in the flower of early manhood, graduated from Benton Industrial High School and Academy. Not

enjoying all the privileges of day attendance in school, many nights while his comrades slept, he was attending school under the guiding care of Profs. E. T. Albert and G. W. Stewert. After graduating he taught schools six years, five in his native State, Louisiana, and one in Texas. He entered the ministry in 1892, serving one year as local preacher, and the next year was admitted into the West Texas Annual Conference at Waco, Texas, under Bishop Holsey. Four years thereafter he passed an approved examination in theology and was admitted an ordained elder by Bishop Cortrell at Corsicana. He then served the following prominent charges in West Texas Conference: Louisville, Bear Creek, Denton and Sherman. At the latter place his great executive skill as a minister was demonstrated during his six years stay, by the building of a \$5,000 church edifice and an \$800 parsonage. To the regret of his many friends in Sherman, he was transferred to Memphis, Tennessee, a very hard charge, where for fifteen years all efforts to build a church had failed. His success here, though slow at first, finally culminated into the construction of Mt. Olive Church, on Georgia street. He is loved and respected until the present by this great people for his heroic work and ultimate success among them. He left them an imposing church structure valued at \$12,000, when he was transferred to Morning Chapel, Fort Worth, Texas.

Though he has had this great charge only a few months, having entered upon duty on December 24, 1905, still new life seems to have poured into her great pulse, spiritual activities renewed and new growth begun.

Last year 42 were converted and over \$1,500 in money raised. Rev. Harlee is a great man, being self-made. He knows how to work. When obtaining his schooling he worked his way, milking sixteen cows and hoeing two acres each Saturday for board.

REV. W. B. TAYLOR.

Was born March 4, 1845, in Richmond, Va.; has been a faithful Christian gentleman and zealous worker in the cause of fallen humanity. He is now with Fort Worth's faithful barber, and quite successful, having 41 years experience.

REV. RILEY BELL,

Pastor Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Was born in the Cherokee Nation, I. T., in the year of 1863, leaving when three years old; went to Fort Scott, Kans.; from there to Neosho Falls, Kans., remaining until about 22 years of age, where he was educated. He removed from here to Parsons, Kans., and from thence to Sedan, Kans., where he married Miss Bettie Barnett, his present efficient companion. He followed the trade of lathing houses and driving teams as a means of a livelihood. From Kansas he moved to Oklahoma Territory, and from there to Fort Worth, about 16 years ago, still running his teams after reaching this city. He united with Mt. Gilead Baptist Church here and was superintendent of B. Y. P. U. for nearly three years, also the church's deacon for over two years. Feeling a call to preach, was

licensed about ten years ago, and ordained about eight years ago by Rev. P. Jones and a white minister, since he has been a great instrument in God's hands, laboring incessantly in the great vineyard of human souls. He was ordained as pastor for Mt. Zion, where he remained two years, then resigned for five years; was again re-elected about one year ago. He also pastors two country churches. Mt. Zion, while not as strong as many other sister churches in membership, equals them in every respect in strong, faithful, God-fearing Christian workers for the cause of Christ. They have about 50 members.

REV. A. BROWN,

Pastor Andrews Chapel, Methodist Church.

Rev. A. Brown, the subject of this sketch, was born in Washington County, Texas, February 15, 1859, where he lived until fifteen years old. Like many of our great men, he was born on a farm. He enjoyed good school advantages, having attended very regularly at all times. Prof. R. J. Moore, one of the old-time good-meaning men, was his teacher. During vacation he clerked in W. M. Gary's, a colored man's store. When about fifteen years of age he removed with his parents to Navasota, Grimes County, Texas, and remained six years, and from thence to Robertson County, where he grew into manhood and married a most affectionate girl, Miss Martha Reeder, who has since been greatly instrumental in his present success in the ministry. They were married April 10, 1880. Only one sweet child came to bless their home, and God saw fit to take it to Himself.

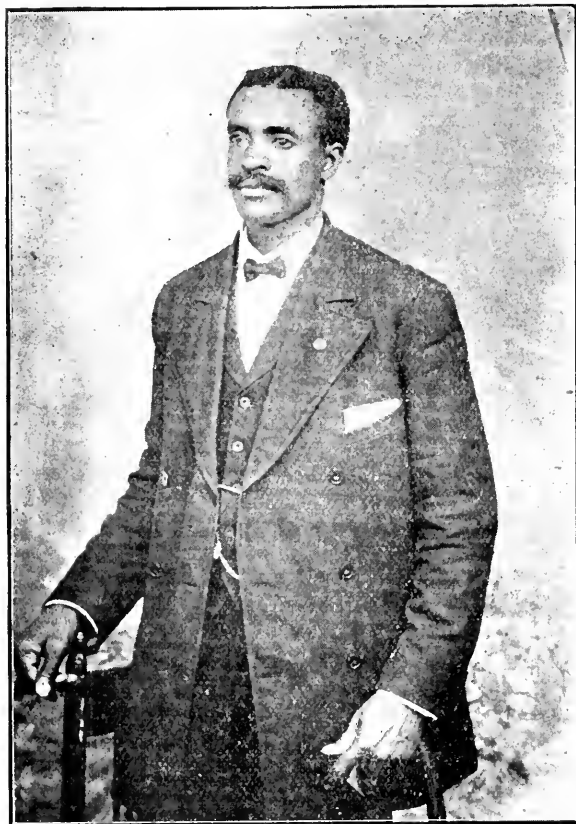
He was converted in 1880, and felt a call to the ministry on Dec. 7, 1882, while living in Columbus, Texas. He traveled one year in the interest of Methodist Episcopal Church, and then entered Wiley University, Marshall, Tex., in 1884, remaining two years, pursuing an academic literary course. Coming out, he was assigned a charge at Horton for one year, then to Welder, LaGrange, Edna and Morales circuits one year each, and two years each on Olmos and Columbus circuits; thence to Hallettsville circuit one year, Goliad two years and Dallas one year. Finding the real worth of this great Christian servant, he was elected presiding elder of the Waco circuit, and served six years, was then sent to Cuero one year, and again, after twelve years, returned to Columbus, where, at his old charge, to the pleasure of his host of friends, he remained two years, being transferred from here to his present exalted charge, Andrews Chapel, Fort Worth, Texas, December, 1906. Here he found a faithful band of Christian men and women, ever ready to champion the cause of true Christianity, and under his administration great results are being wrought. This is a great band of earnest Christians.

Rev. Brown has built three churches and two parsonages; 500 converts have come to Christ under his preaching. He is now president of the Mutual Aid of West Texas Conference, and has written the memoirs of its deceased members for fifteen years, also

standing committee on memorium for the West Texas Conference.

He has handled \$10,000 in church funds since he began his ministerial career.

Andrews Chapel is a growing church of 210 members. Sixteen have been added under Rev. Brown's administration and \$200 in money raised—a strong increase in a few months.



REV. J. S. SLAUGHTER,
Pastor St. James Baptist Church.

Was born in Memphis, Tenn., August, 1871, where he lived until ten years of age, when he moved with his family to Perryville, Perry County, Ark. He lived here on a farm for five years, farming and attending school at intervals under the guiding care of Prof. Turner Westbrook; from thence to Little Rock, about five miles in the country, remaining two years, after which the family moved to the city to secure the advantages of the school for the growing children. Here he worked at various public works until 20 years of age. During this time one and one-half years was

spent in Arkansas Baptist College, where his great power as a student was demonstrated. He came to Texas from Arkansas.

Rev. Slaughter early espoused the great cause of Christianity, being converted at twelve years of age, and at the same time felt a call to the ministry; was baptized by Rev. Ransie Hays in the piny woods of Arkansas. When he came to Texas in 1891 he united with Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Paris, Texas, of which Rev. W. M. Corner, D. D., was pastor. For eight years of his life in Paris he pastored and during the week labored as head presser in an oil mill, thus proving to his flock the honor of working with the hand as well as the mind. He enjoys the honor of being ordained by the faithful Revs. S. W. R. Cole, W. M. Corner, R. Hamilton and others. The first church which threw the mantle of pastoral honor upon his worthy shoulders was at Wolfe City, where he remained for two years, and from there to Whitney, in Hillsboro one year. From Hillsboro we next find him for one year successfully pastoring Bryan Baptist Shurch. While here he organized General Convention Baptist Church with 18 members, and pastored them for ten consecutive years, leaving them with a strong and growing congregation of 357 members. During the same time he pastored at Hearne for five years. During his stay here he built five churches and paid for them. From here to South Union Baptist Church, where he remained three years doing faithful duty, and then from here to the charge of determined Christians at St. James Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 17, 1907.

He married Miss Annie Cuington of Paris, Texas, about twelve years ago. One loving child—Bessie—graces their home. Two have passed into the great unknown. The work of this faithful servant has been too much to attempt to give, suffice it to say he has been a busy man, always spending his entire time in the interest of his flock.

Rev. Slaughter is man of great endurance and power, enthusiastic and faithful. During his ministerial career he has baptized 750 converts, buried 500, married 50 couples, ordained six ministers, built five churches. He now pastors the strong band of workers at St. James, one of the city's strong Baptist fortresses, which was organized by Rev. Robertson about 9 years ago on corner of East Sixth and Elm streets. It is soon to be moved to a more desirable site on corner Second and Hardin streets, the lot for which has already been purchased and over \$200 in cash raised for its reconstruction. This church has a strong and growing membership of laborers who are striving ever in the interest of its growth and welfare. The church has over 253 members at present, is in good financial standing in every respect, and its property is valued at over \$2,000.

THE ST. JAMES BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The St. James Woman's Baptist Home Missionary Society is a true force of Christian women organized for the purpose of cultivating a spirit of Christian benevolence in its members by per-

sonal labor and donations to the cause of missions through the respective treasuries of the Missionary Baptist State Convention, the Foreign Mission Convention and the Woman's Baptist State Mission Society.

Any woman who is a member of the Baptist church in good and regular standing may become a member of this society by paying not less than five cents a month, which sum shall be contributed to the four departments as follows: January, May and September, the contribution shall be given to the Missionary Baptist State Convention; March, July and November, the contribution shall be given to the work of the Woman's Baptist State Mission Convention; April, August and December, to the Missionary Training School.

This is a very earnest band of truly loyal sisters and they have done and are doing much towards assisting the affairs of their church as well as their constitutional duty.

They very earnestly solicit all other Christian women of their faith to join them, and give their influence to this great cause. They meet regularly every Monday at 3 p. m. at St. James Baptist church. Business meetings, first Monday in each month.

Officers: Mrs. C. A. Martin, President; Mrs. P. Evans, Vice-President; Mrs. J. A. Gradington, Treasurer; Mrs. Ruby Turner, Secretary; Mrs. I. A. Gradington, Assistant Secretary.

REV. F. G. LOFTON,

Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, North Fort Worth, Texas.

Was educated in Washington, D. C., moving from there to Texas. He is a great and refined minister, successfully pastoring the young but thriving church, Shiloh, which was organized from a Sunday School, which was managed by the young ladies, in 1903. Though young they boast of eighty strong servants and a successful Sunday School of thirty scholars; also a Ladies' Home Missionary Society, which is a success, spiritually and financially. This faithful people have a very excellent public school of eight months' duration each year, taught in the church, though the school property is already bought, they have no building. Fifty-three scholars are enrolled. Miss Mary E. Poe, of Tennessee, is teacher. Rev. F. F. Lofton, Pastor. J. H. Allen, Secretary.

REV. A. L. RUSSELL,

Pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church, North Fort Worth, Texas.

Was born four miles northwest of Atlanta, Ga., in 1873, where for thirteen years he lived on a farm with his mother, his father having died when he was six or eight months old; afterward he moved with his mother to the city, where he job-worked while she was employed as cook. They remained here until he was fifteen, then moved to Hurd County, near Newland, where he earned his living working on a farm, again moving to Alabama when he was seventeen years of age, where he continued to farm and where he finished such a course in school as was provided by the rural

schools. He taught here for two years; moving from here, they came to Pilot Point, Texas, when he was nineteen years old, remaining five years, and from there to Denison where he lived for



REV. A. L. RUSSELL

sixteen years, laboring at public works and attending school, as he did at all other places. He attended here at night under Prof. E. H. Garland and completed at the same time a course of theology under Mr. Wells, a white man.

He was married in Denison to Miss Fredonia Smith, his present worthy helpmate. After finishing his studies he entered the ministry and served as a licensed preacher only one month, and was ordained and called to two churches, which he successfully served as shepherd for five years, building a church at each place. He was then called to Whitesboro, where he paid a big church debt, and after two years erected them an imposing church edifice. From here to Dallas, where the record of his life was made at Mt. Zion Baptist church for seven years. While here he re-entered school under Dr. Gamble and proved himself a great power in gospel facts. He built a substantial church edifice in Dallas. He went from here to Hillsboro, where his power as an evangelist was plainly shown in one of Dr. Sykes' great meetings, being instrumental in adding 133 souls to the church, 125 for baptism, in thirteen days.

From Dallas this great laborer in God's vineyard was chosen pastor of St. Paul Baptist church, North Fort Worth, Texas, in 1906. He found only five or six members and almost no house in which to worship; but with this small foundation upon which to build, a building of modern style has been constructed and the membership raised to about one hundred. Last year he raised \$1700.

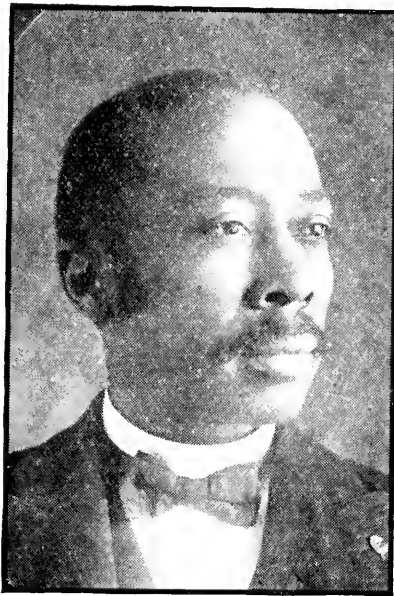


REV. PRINCE JONES.

Was born June 26, 1857, in Union Parish, La., on a farm, where he remained until eight years of age, when with his parents he moved to Farmersville, where he lived until he was thirty-five years old. After spending thirty-five years of his life in the State of his nativity, he crossed the State line, moving to Kaufman, Texas, during the year 1894, where he pastored one year. From Kaufman he went to Pilot Point; remained until March, 1897; resigning this point, and Bonham, which he also pastored, he resumed the worthy charge at Mt. Gilead. The first church Rev. Jones pastored was six miles from Farmersville, where he labored successfully for twelve years, after which he moved to Farmersville, propounding gospel truths for four years.

He has lived a very busy and unassuming life, being entirely void of egotism. After much persuasion we draw the following facts from him in reference to his great past achievements: He has served his denomination as District Missionary for one year; Moderator of 11th District Association for four years, alternately; built many stately church edifices; Moderator Northwest Association two years, and is at present a member of Executive Associa-

tional Board, Trustee of Dickson Colored Orphanage, First Vice-President of the Missionary Educational Convention, Member of Trustee Board of the Negro Industrial, Mechanical and Agricultural College, and last but not of lesser importance, pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist church, one of the oldest and best organized bodies of faithful Christian men and women in the city. Rev. Jones says: "I love my church and its welfare as I do my own life." When he began his career as pastor, he found about two hundred battling for the right; this number has been raised to about five hundred during his ten years of honest toil. Truly, Mt. Gilead is a strong, well-united congregation; they support their church and all auxiliaries with perfect ease, never resorting to the envelope system, but simply foot the bill in cold cash, placed from hand to table. They raise from \$150 to \$200 per month without any unusual effort. They contribute abundantly to missions and education, also pay the worthy shepherd \$1120 per annum. This is a great fold; being organized thirty-four years ago, they can boast of being the oldest in the city.



REV. D. S. MOTEN,

Pastor Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church.

Was born November 5, 1865, and from early boyhood showed wonderful prospects to become a great man. When his primary education was completed he entered Howard Institute and Paul Quinn College. On August 26, 1890, he entered Wilberforce College, Wilberforce, Ohio, where his ability as a student commanded great respect and esteem. He finished his college work here and

entered Payne Theological Institute, which is affiliated with Wilberforce College. He was one of the first students to win a place as assistant teacher in his alma mater. Being quite efficient in the language, was selected as teacher in Hebrew. This great school conferred upon him the title of B. D.

He was ordained deacon September, 1893, by Bishop Daniel, at Payne, and elder in September, 1895, by Bishop Benjamin Arnett, after which he was transferred to the Texas Conference, where his success has been continual.

Rev. D. S. Moten won great fame as pastor of Bethel church. San Antonio, St. James, Terrell, and Allen Chapel, at this place. He is a powerful man and commands the respect and esteem of white and colored people alike; every man, saint and sinner, loves the great preacher. He is general organizer of Y. P. S. C. E. and has set up more C. E. Societies than any other colored man in the United States. Principally all in Michigan are due to his untiring efforts. For six years the Governor of Texas has conferred upon him the honor as Chaplain of the Texas Volunteer Guards. He is Conference Trustee of Wilberforce College, and tenth member of General Church Board of Southern Christian Recorder.

He married Miss Daisy M. Williams, a trained nurse and former student of Wilberforce, Mary Allen Seminary and Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C., June 14, 1906. Her life has been as busy as his and from the North to Florida and throughout Texas her skill as a trained nurse has been sought by the best physicians. They make their home at present at 625 East 1st Street, Fort Worth, Texas, where he pastors a strong church, Allen Chapel, consisting of over two hundred faithful Christians. Substantial improvements have been made since he took charge here and as we go to press more is being done. Many new auxiliaries have been added. This great church property is valued at \$25,000.



REV. J. S. PARKER

Churches

Pure and undefiled Christianity is and has been, since a divine Providence spoke the world into existence, the only safe refuge for perishing humanity, and all histories, ancient, modern and mediæval, verify the fact that ever nation which went after idols inevitably suffered a terrible catastrophe. When Rome lost her chastity, though she was the world's master, she became vassal to a tribe of barbarians and was humbled to degradation and oblivion with barely enough renown left to give her room on the map; so has other great nations and men, slowly but undeniably faded into obscurity when Baal is given foremost ranks.

It is an indisputable fact that to be a nation of giants, Christianity must lead the great mass of followers. For the Negro to stand among nations and be considered by them as a recognized race of brothers, and still use no means to foster strong moral stamina, is as utterly impossible and unreasonable as it would be to convert a goat into a sheep.

The very foundation of races rests upon morality and confidence; unless our women and men use means to this end, we must to time's end be "hewers of wood and drawers of water." Pure and chaste women make men who imitate and respect them, and if no races can point them out upon the highways and truthfully say, "I am familiar with them in lascivious ways," we may yet reach an honorable plane. Honor to all nations who defy others who seek to destroy the purity of their women, and may laurels be entwined about the brow of the Negro when this, the only anchor of safety, becomes his watchword. But to the colored brute who betrays colored womanhood, hell itself is much too cool; and to many women who select certain stands, which strike sorrow to the very pulse of this race, which we are sorry to admit, yet the eye sees daily, they should be received into society and homes of respectability upon the same basis as they would an imp from hell direct.

There are women of our race today who have sunk to a position too low for human conception, and still there are some men of so-called social standing who select to place them on a plane above honest girls. In too many instances we neglect our pure girls and worship the riffraff of the city.

If we rise from our present state, the Sunday School, the church and its auxiliaries must be sustained to a greater degree than the saloon, the skating rink, the ball, the theater, and the dens of prostitution and death.

Fort Worth should be a great center of religious activity, for here are located the following strong churches, their pastors and flocks:

Mt. Pigsah Baptist Church, with Rev. H. W. Jackson, who has propounded gospel truths for the past fifteen consecutive years here; Rev. G. H. Harllce, pastor Morning Chapel C. M. E. Church:

Rev. D. S. Moten, pastor of Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church; Rev. P. Jones of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church; Rev. J. S. Slaughter of St. James Baptist Church; Rev. J. P. Phillips, of Corinth Baptist Church; Rev. Riley Bell, of Mt. Zion Baptist Church; Rev. A. Brown, of Andrews Chapel A. M. E. Church; Rev. F. G. Lofton, of Shiloh Baptist Church; Rev. A. L. Russell, of St. Paul Baptist Church, and one Baptist church, no pastor.

Almost all of these churches own very valuable buildings, and good locations. Morning Chapel is a very beautiful white stone structure on the latest order. Mt. Pigsah is quite an imposing frame structure; also, St. James, Andrews Chapel and all the others, except Allen Chapel, which is a modern, newly furnished brick, located in one of the most desirable spots for a church in this city, regardless of race or denomination. The pastors are generally very strong and generous men, and have rendered invaluable aid to the author in getting out this little volume by giving information and pledging strong financial support. In fact, the church and business colored men of the city stand firmly on the principle of supporting any worthy move a member of their race may attempt. It is the prayer of the author that these great and generous men may have unbounded success in all their good efforts.

Societies

Many instances are found in the Bible where God Himself entered into secret considerations with men for the promotion of some great and worthy cause. God endorsed and encouraged secrecy of many honest motives, and from this omnipotent precedent sprang the great idea of secret societies, one of the great mainstays of human unity and brotherhood.

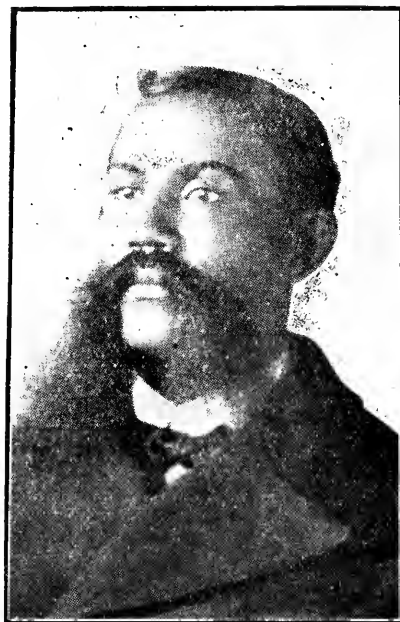
Human organization and unity dates beyond the knowledge of man; during the age of chivalry and knighthood in England, through the principle of organization, brave men poured out their last drop of blood in the defense of womanhood and their sworn brothers. So, today, by secret union, men stand and vouch for their brothers. The secret society represents the brother to the young man, husband to the widow, father to the fatherless and an everlasting fortress to the whole human family.

In the City of Fort Worth almost every secret society is represented. We take very great pleasure in presenting to the reading public a few of the lodges of the city, namely:

Pride of Texas Lodge No. 82, of F. & A. M., organized by Past Grand Master John W. Madison. With only twelve members, this number being headed by R. C. Houston, Jr., first member to enroll. Against oppression she has pressed forward and won well the name she wears, Pride of Texas. Present membership, about seventy-five. Cash balance of over \$200. Present officers: J.

C. Scott, W. M.; H. C. Haley, Acting S. W.; Dan Washington, J. W.; Thomas Mttahews, Secretary; I. W. Jones, Treasurer; Joe Spencer, Tiler; A. M. Johnson, Chaplain.

Alivester Lodge No. 67 of K. of P. is a band of about one hundred brave knights who order what they want and pay spot cash for what they get.



J. W. McKINNEY
Grand Master, Grand Lodge, Master Masons of Texas.

Key West Lodge No. 5, K. of P. This band of brave Pythians is one of the oldest in first jurisdiction of Texas, being the fifth lodge of K. of P.'s chartered in Texas. It was organized in the time of peril; at first they were few in membership who met in a large hall with not enough members to open; yet they would counsel and raised enough money to keep their names upon the Roster of the Grand Lodge. By persistent efforts in championing the cause of Damon and Pythias they have grown until at present they have a healthy membership of 125 financial members, with a cash balance of over \$400 in the bank. Also a valuable piece of real estate on corner of East 2nd and Crump Streets, with three rent houses thereon, bringing an income of \$300 per annum. This property is easily worth \$3000. Senator Josh Pyles, C. C.; W. F. Fuller, K. of R. and S.; W. B. Berliner, M. of F.; W. D. Donifer, M. of E.; M. C. Lock, Representative.

Pride of Texas Chapter No. 16, O. E. S. Ladies of Masons is second branch of this department organized in the city with

about forty-five members. Mrs. B. D. Devis, Worthy Matron; C. H. Garrett, Worthy Patron; M. E. Moore, Worthy Secretary. It is a bright band of ladies who cherish the work of this noble institution and can be relied upon to exemplify Ada, Ruth, Electra, Martha, etc.



Wm. McDONALD,
Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge, Master Masons of Texas.

Philimathian Court I. O. O. C., Ladies Department of K. of P.'s. This is sisters' department of Key West No. 5, the oldest Court in the city. They carry a surplus cash balance of over \$600 and have done so for over two years. They offer good will and financial aid to their brethren in erecting a temple on their site on Southeast corner of East 1st and Crump Streets. Mrs. Harriet Kirkpatrick, Worthy Council; Mrs. Susan Pyles, Treasurer.

Rescue Chapter No. 5, O. E. S. of Masons is oldest chapter of this department in the city and has a membership of seventy-five invincible workers, with a good cash balance and gilt-edge credit.

Seven Stars of Consolidation is a band of strong women who have demonstrated their great strength by wonderful results.

Marine Lodge K. of P.'s was organized September 15th, 1906, by Deputy Grand Chancellor J. Nelson. It has had a smooth sail every since organization. Was organized with sixteen members and has grown to forty at present. They are strong, sturdy working men and have purchased a lot and raised \$150 towards building a hall. They meet every Thursday night. J.

Nelson, Representative to Grand Lodge; J. Nelson, C. C.; S. W. Mason, K. of R. and S.

They have a strong I. O. O. C. department in connection, brave women who are championing the cause of secret organization. J. Nelson, Worthy Council; Mrs. Mary Johnson, Vice Worthy Chancellor; Mrs. Lena Wilson, Secretary; Mrs. Lizzie Jones, Worthy Conductress.

Daughters of Tabernacle No. 87, though not altogether as old as some of the ancient organizations, is a great and successful band of sisters who are successfully forging their way to the foremost ranks. This is a very strong band of faithful men and women; their financial standing is excellent and a nice cash balance is held by the treasurer; financial standing would have been better, but they had to bury two members last year. Officers: Malora Malone, High Princess; Mattie Johnson, Recorder; Susan Whitmore, President Board of Examiners; Birdie Flowers, Chairman Sick Committee; Mattie Hightower, Treasurer; Florence Brockman Vice High Princess.

Davis Lodge No. 126, of K. of P. hosts of hard working brave K. of P.'s. Though their membership is small, their credit is good and financially they are a success. We are glad to say for them that they are determined to rank in principal among the larger organizations.

Magic Lodge, No. 146, of the K. of P.'s. These brave boys rounded up 75 good ones, and they are magic by work as well as name. We find them a financial and moral success.

Leslie May Court, I. O. O. C., of K. of P. A brave band of sisters who won their way against great odds, and now represent, great success.

Easter Lilly Court, I. O. O. C., of K. of P. No. 76. Wears a crown, set with many jewels, demonstrating to the world the many hard attempts she made to reach her present exalted stand. This is a band of great and faithful women.

Union No. 15, U. B. F., one of the oldest organizations in Texas of U. B. F., though a Negro concern, by hearth, yet like all Negro concerns of business, has not met with the proper support, but against difficulties of the universality of other ancient institutions. She has maintained her charter and a good working membership of about 50.

The S. M. T.'s have fine temples here, namely, Queen Esther Temple No. 6, Francis Willard Temple No. 96, Ida B. Wells Temple No. 118, Maggie Moore Temple No. 119, Moss Rose. They have a membership of about 400 members. It has two juvenile departments for children by Lily of Valley Juvenile No. 7.

Anetta Temple: Senator Josh Pyles, District Deputy; W. B. Donifer, Worthy Master; G. W. Hardy, Secretary; H. C. Williams, Treasurer. They have a most healthy financial growth. A cash balance of over \$1000.



C. P. BROOKS, TAILOR

The Elks, Panther City Lodge No. 61, was organized here August 18, 1905, by W. A. Rice, of Denver Colorado, traveling deputy I. B. P. O. E. of W. Strong opposition faced these brave boys on every side, but like Spartans of old, they united their forces, forming a solid Phalanx, marched fearlessly against the enemy, and conquered. Until today in Fort Worth they stand strong and invincible. Great credit in removing all obstacles must be given to J. A. Jones, S. Jones, C. P. Brooks, A. L. Reese and others. They occupy a most neat club room on Thirteenth and Throckmorton, which is fully supplied with books, sitting room, smoking room and every other northern convenience for the satisfactory, and sumptuous intertainment of its constituents and their friends, who are invited at all times. They hold regular meetings every first and last Thursday night in each month. While young in age, this society has had a growth which has caused the city to look on them as a decided success. Organized only about one year and six months ago, their growth has been from the ground to 48 proud members. The following constitute the official staff: O. C. Crook, E. R.; S. Johns, Esteemed Leading Knight; K. Hunt, Esteemed Loyal Knight; E. Martin, Esteemed Lecturing Knight; James Hudson, Secretary; Ed Willis, E-quire; W. M. Rals, Chaplain. House Committee, S. B. Calton, W. M. Vaughn. Trustees: A. L. Lockhart, C. P. Brooks, Philip Register.

Alpha No. 64, on 508 Harding street, Ladies Department of Masons. A strong and growing band of women with Mrs. J. White-

head, M. A. M.; Mrs. A. S. Conner, C. Secy. They meet at Odd Fellows' Hall on First and Third Friday nights in every month.

Odd Fellows Lodge, No. 2144, is one of the strong fraternities of the city, consisting of a number of most faithful members, who always freely support and labor in the maintenance of this great order. It meets at their hall, on corner of Houston and Throckmorton. They have about 140 membsr and near \$1800 in treasury.



MRS. MOLLIE MOORE
Chaplain Royal Knights of Sceptre

Royal Knights of Sceptre and Ladies Home and Palace No. 45, "Western Beauty," was organized about five years ago in this city. Its aim and object is to take care of its sick, bury its dead, and provide for the needy members. Up to the present the growth has been far beyond the expectation of the most sanguine. The members of this society are about forty-nine financial.

Mrs. Mattie Williams, Queen; Mrs. Lela Smith, Past Queen; Miss Melissa Orchie, First Honor; Miss Pearl Smith, Second Honor; Mr. Woody D. Woods, President; Mr. Sims L. Cross, Vice-President. About 115 members.

They meet first and third Tuesday nights in each month at Odd Fellows Hall. They will soon build a hall of their own. They have never lost a member. Financial standing is good.

Mr. James Bradford, Financial Secretary; Mr. Freddie Washington, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Lottie Moseley, Marshall; Mr. Seth Curtis, Deputy Marshall; Mrs. Benlah Williams, Sergeant-at-Arms; Mrs. Hannah Woodards, Sergeant-at-Arms; Mrs. Susan Whitmore, Mother; Mrs. Leslie Counsel, Conductress; Mrs. Mollie Moore,

Chaplain; Mr. R. D. Cavett, Lecturer; Mr. William Robertson, Reporter; Mr. Frenchie Johnson, Doorkeeper; Mrs. Mattie Johnson, Chairman Sick Committee; Mrs. Gensie Simpson, Chairman Grievance Committee.

Magic Lodge, No. 146, K. of P., was organized in the city of Fort Worth in February, 1902, by Mr. B. D. Davis. To the great labor and untiring efforts of Mr. J. C. Scott very great credit is given in the organization of this noble body of brave men. This lodge is to a very great and creditable extent made up of faithful and good men on a whole. When it was organized only a very small number at first rallied, but Mr. J. C. Scott, one of Fort Worth's great secret society champions, assisted by others no less strong than himself firmly organized the lodge and put them on a firm and smooth working foundation. It is to-day classed among the other strong fraternities of the city; has 90 members. Their death rate since organization has been very low, only one member having been lost. Their financial standing is unquestioned, being out of debt and holding a cash deposit of near \$400 to their order.

They meet first and third Wednesday nights in each month at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Officers: J. C. Scott, C. C.; Daniel Washington, V. C.; Robert Lewis, Prelate; A. Williams, Master of Finance; Samuel Moore, Master of Exchequer; Ed Allen, K. of R. and S.; Harry Jackson, Outer Guard; Matthew Davis, Inner Guard; Ralph Hooper, Master-at-Arms; Prof. James E. Guinn, L. C. Caldwell, J. W. Wortham, Trustees; W. D. Woods, Master of Works. Messrs. Moore and Gardner have held offices since organization.

Silver Link Court No. 91, I. O. C. C., of Magic Lodge, K. of P.'s. This is a strong and very faithful organization of women who have for the past four years worked hard and conscientiously in the interest of their lodge. They demonstrate by their work and devotion to one another the very great power of union among women. Since this lodge was organized March 15, 1904, by Mrs. Annie Hinks and Mrs. Maggie Moore, after whom Maggie Moore Temple was named, it has had a steady growth and has grown in favor among the ladies very rapidly. They are the third to be organized in this city. Only one member has been lost by death since organization, Mrs. Fannie Jackson. Each year has seen them grow in strength and influence until to-day a most perfect development has been attained. Harmony and success have always prevailed among these noble women, many of whom have made very great personal sacrifices in the interest of their sworn sisters, their reputations, and the financial standing is beyond question. They are very strong, and still growing with wonderful rapidity. Though young, their credit is good, and their financial standing a very great honor to their noble work and effort. They meet regularly each month at the Odd Fellows Hall on second and fourth Tuesdays at 3 p. m. First meeting in each month is date of business session.

Great credit and many thanks are given to the brothers of Magic Lodge for assistance rendered them. They were the first brothers

in the city to pay 25c each on date of annual sermons for the benefit of the financial strengthening of this department of their lodge.

Officers: Mrs. Mattie Harrison, W. C.; Mrs. Lenora Sloan, W. I. X.; Mrs. Effie Watson, W. I.; Mrs. Ollie Summings, W. S. D.; Mrs. Everline Garland, W. J. D.; Miss Susie Sloan, W. O.; Mrs. Lillie Swan, W. R. Deeds; Mrs. A. J. Caldwell, W. R. Deposit; Mrs. Lula Hibler, W. Escort; Miss Tama Sloan, Worthy Conductress; Mrs. Charity Lewis, Asst. W. Conductress; Emaline Washington, Worthy Herald; Mrs. Ida Bogal, Worthy Protector; Mrs. Nettie Adams, Register of Accounts.

G. U. O. of Odd Fellows No. 2144 was organized in this city in the fall of 1879, and set up in fall of 1880, by a committee from Lodge of Dallas No. 1940. It was organized with 23 strong, determined men who had banded themselves together for the purpose of uniting with the Masons, but reconsidered and founded the present strong lodge No. 2144. It has the honor of being the first in the city. They had a smooth sail from the beginning and were assisted much by the whites. Never since organization has this lodge weakened in strength and growth. Its financial standing and success has always been good. They own their own hall, 50x100 feet, worth \$50,000, on Second Street, between Houston and Throckmorton. This is a very valuable piece of property, and can be sold almost any day for an amount near \$50,000.

This great lodge of Odd Fellows boasts of holding no secondary place among the orders of the same kind in the State of Texas. They meet regularly first Thursday in each month in their own hall.

Officers: Prof. William M. Coleman, Noble Grand; Prof. I. M. Terrell, Worshipful Grand Master; James Anderson Cavil, Worshipful Grand Master; U. G. Smith, Chairman Sick Committee; Chas. Crouch, Secretary; Joe Lightfoot, Past Noble Father.

Ada Kingdom of the Royal Family, known as the Heroes, Heroines of Friendship, No. 916, was organized in this city in the year of 1907 by Mrs. Ada Ellis, the State Grand Deputy, for the purpose of assisting the needy, caring for the sick, defending one another in all worthy motives, and burying the dead. They are a faithful and strong union of ladies, bound strongly together for the promotion of one another in every worthy sense. Since organization they have grown in strength and favor in this city until their number has gone from 15 to 35, and still new ones knock for admittance at almost every meeting. They are a strong fraternal band of worthy women, ever striving in the interest and defense of one another's good. Financial standing is good. They are in a position to pay all of their bills as they go, and carry a cash balance. They meet regularly every first and third Friday at 3 p. m. at Johnson's Hall on corner of First and Main.

Officers: Mrs. Mamie L. Miller, Queen; Mrs. Margaret Martin, Prince; Mrs. Mamie Alford, Scribe; Mrs. Minnie Loftis, Assistant Scribe; Mrs. Mary Sharp, Bishop; Mrs. Reeder Ellis, Legal Adviser; Mrs. Annie Daniels, Treasurer; Mrs. Newton, Imperial Guard; Mrs. M. A. Walker, Escort.

Seven Stars of Consolidation, "E. B. Chamber No. 19," was organized in this city during the year of 1893 by T. W. Wilbourn, S. G. C. The National Ladies' Chamber of the Seven Stars of Consolidation was organized May 20, 1881, at Texarkana, Texas, and was revised June, 1885, at Calvert, Texas. The objects of the organization are: (1) To unite fraternally all acceptable men and women of every profession or business occupation; (2) Give all possible moral and material aid to its members, by encouraging each other to obtain employment; (3) The establishment of a sinking fund for the purpose of paying a neat sum, \$250, to the widow of a deceased brother; (4) To provide a fund for the relief of the sick and distressed; (5) The elevation of the race and the maintenance of peace and good government between all nations. Since it was organized the success of it has been great and still we see a very rapid expansion. This society has to a very great extent exercised the principles of its origin. They have been very fortunate in being able to enroll strong men and women of very great reputation and thrift. Its growth has been rapid and new members send in their applications very regularly. It is a very great band of fraternal men and women.

While this society was organized in this city during the year of 1893, its growth has been somewhat varied. From 1893 to 1897 it swept all before it, and every party you met seemed to have been in some way connected with it, but from 1897 until 1902 this great society, on account of some irregularity on the part of some member concerned, lost favor with the people, and its membership steadily decreased from 1897 to 1902. At the latter date Mrs. Mamie L. Miller, a strong, heroic and fearless fraternal woman, moved into the city from Temple, Texas, and through her wise counselling and that of her host of friends, new life has been infused, and the growth of the society from 1902 to the present has been steady and uninterrupted. This great band of women has merited all the honors they may receive. Financially they are a success, being out of debt, and carrying a cash balance in bank to their credit of \$216. They meet regularly at Odd Fellows Hall, on Second and Fourth Thursdays in each month at 3 p. m.

Officers: Mrs. R. J. Lindsey, W. M.; Mrs. Jennie Canady, W. L.; Mrs. C. A. McNeal, W. D.; Mrs. Mollie Cooper, M. R.; Mrs. Mamie L. Miller, Secretary and Deputy; Mrs. Mary Cheeks, Treasurer.

Francis Kingdom, No. 8, of the Royal Family of Heroes and Heroines of Friendship, was organized in this city February 22, 1906, by State Deputy Mrs. A. Ellis. This society was organized with less than a dozen determined ladies, and at first the way to success for them seemed to be clouded with many difficulties, but against all opposition and oppression they have forged their way along until to-day they number 35 devoted adherents to the cause of charity and union.

It is a band of women who are destined, in the near future, to hold no secondary place among the other great fraternities of the

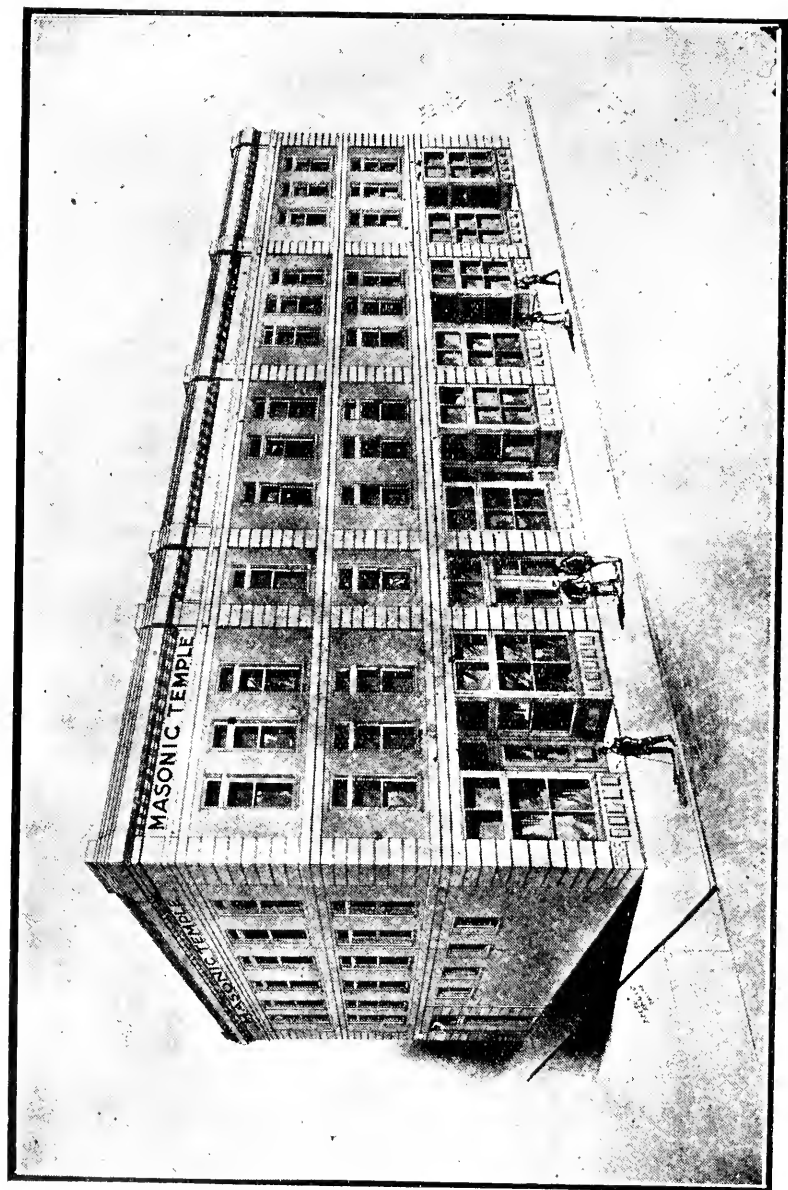
city. This strong force of ladies have made for themselves a record that will live long after they have gone into the great unknown.

By careful study we find ladies of much worth and standing principally form the majority of its membership. New members are being admitted regularly, and those of true and devoted principles are solicited into the fold. They meet on second and fourth Monday at 3 p. m., at Johnson's Hall.

Officers: Mrs. E. Collins, Worthy Queen; Mrs. Gertrude Calico, Worthy Princess; Mrs. G. Bowen, Worthy Bishop; Mrs. N. Childress, Worthy Treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Cross, Worthy Scribe; Mrs. Ida Brown, Assistant Scribe; Miss A. Griffin, Escort; Mrs. Idella Montgomery, Legal Adviser; Mrs. D. Brown, Herald; Mrs. C. Taylor, Imperial Guard; Mrs. A. Williams, Sentry; Mrs. A. Horton, Marshall; Mrs. C. Callier, Supporter-to-Princess; Mrs. P. Williams, Supporter-to-Princess.

Kansas City, No. 159, of F. of A. M., organized November 20, 1903, with 10 members, is a growing lodge of Masons, yet the youngest in the city. They are proud to report 40 good and faithful members. They meet at the Odd Fellows' Hall on first and third Friday nights in each month. J. R. Alton, W. M.; J. E. Corner, S. W.; Dr. E. P. Mucherson, J. W.; Prof. J. A. Blackburn, Treas.; L. D. Luckett, Secy.; S. M. Miller, Tiler.

Altervister Lodge, No. 67, K. of P.'s, was organized April 27, 1899, with a very small number of faithful men. Its first Chancellor Commander was A. F. Hall. It is the second oldest Pythian organization in the city, and truthfully boasts of a class of brave men who, like Damon and Pythias, are ever ready to champion the cause of a brother. The majority of its members are strong, sober, honest, property-owning, laboring men. They are soon to erect a new hall. At present they hold their sessions in the Odd Fellows' building every Wednesday night. First and third Wednesday nights for business meetings. They solicit all brave men to enroll. P. J. Samuels, C. C.; Frank Lewis, V. C.; E. J. McClelland, K. of R. S.; D. S. Betts, Prelate; Lewis Wilson, M. of E.; B. D. Davis, M. of E.



NEW GRAND MASONIC TEMPLE

Clubs

The young men and women of this city, appreciating the pleasures of social intercourses, enjoy the honor of innumerable clubs and elegantly furnished apartments and halls, where they meet regularly and upon special occasions, spending many happy hours together, reading, chatting and other innocent pastimes. Among these we find:

Sociay Tie Club No. 1, corner 1010 Rusk St., North Fort Worth, which meets every Thursday night. A cordial invitation is extended to all pleasure-loving young ladies and gents. James Gardner, Pres.; C. W. Ivins, Secy.; E. E. Moore, Mgr.; E. T. Hughes, Treas.

The Elks' beautiful club rooms occupy handsome quarters over Thirteenth and Throckmorton streets. It is well supplied with books, papers, magazines, etc., of every description for the enjoyment of its members and their friends. You are invited to come among us and share our joys.

The 20th Century Club, on corner Fifth and Terry, has a strong motto, and that is to always guarantee to its host of pleasure-loving members a pleasant time at every meeting. It meets every Thursday night, where music, reading and pleasure is always galore. Ed. Morrison, Pres.; Hattie Harrison, Secy.; Birdie Ola Stark, Clerk. One open meeting per month.

Sweet Pickerel Club consists of the married ladies and gents of the city, who meet every Thursday night, over 111½ E. 10th St., for the purpose of mutual aid and benefit of one another, and to spend each week a few pleasant moments together. It is a strong and well attended body of good-natured Romans. Married people exclusively. Officers, Felix Howard, Pres.; Frank Hamilton, Treas.; H. Jackson, Secy.; Alf Brown, Gen. Mgr.

Porters and Waiters Social Club is a band of enthusiastic young people of the city united for the purpose of keeping alive the spirit of strong social pleasures and intercourse. From its birth in the city it has had a very healthy growth, and they still solicit any who may desire to come, unite and make the flock stronger. While young being organized about three years ago, their results have been strong. Visitors and strangers in the city are cordially invited to meet them and form acquaintance with the young people of the city while local visitors must pay an initiation fee. They meet first Thursday night in each month over 111½ E. Tenth Street. Call meetings at regular intervals. Officers: Frank Hamilton, Pres.; James Lyons, Vice President, Leon Maddox, Treas.; Judge Macbeth, Secy. Board of Trustees, Alf Brown, Sydney Graham, Jack Judy, Eugene Williams.



'The Republican Party is the Ship, all else the Sea.'—
Frederick Douglass.

Ft. Worth Colored Business Men's League No. 3

This organization of the colored business and professional men of Fort Worth first saw light in this city in May, 1903. It was the third to receive a charter from the National League, which has its headquarters in New York with Booker T. Washington, President. The object of the League is to promote the commercial and financial interests of its members as would any board of trade of commerce; and also to bring the business and professional people of our race in touch with each other, so that they may better understand and know one another. It has also greatly increased the financial efforts of our people since its organization. New businesses to the number of twenty-seven have been put into operation since its organization in 1903, and this institution went into competition with Dallas, Houston, Terrell and Waco to secure the State's Masonic Temple, raising \$6,000 bonus, and being instrumental in raising



HON. CHAS. D. MACBETH
Attorney at Law

funds to the amount of \$37,000 for its construction, thus securing the building. This great success will be of material benefit to the city, since it brings strong assemblages of societies here each year, namely, the Master Masons, Heroines of Jerico, Order of Eastern Star, and Royal Arch Masons, who spend from ten to twelve days in the city. This new home for the Masons is Artistic in design and Massive in construction; situated on a most desirable lot. It is to be 50x100 feet, three stories high, electric lighted and steam heated. On the first floor four stores will be provided and rented, thus guaranteeing an everlasting income. The second will be arranged into two separate parts, one-half to be used as meeting place for sub-ordinate lodges and other constructed into offices. The



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third will be one large auditorium, 50x100 feet, except one office, the home of the Grand Secretary.

The cornerstone will be set March 18, 1907. To secure this great future home of the Masons of Texas for Fort Worth is a very

strong evidence of the financial weight and influence of this wonderful body of business men, and a financial gain to the city. But it is where it ought to be, since this is the greatest railroad center in the state, and its hotels, restaurants, clubs and other places for the comfortable entertainment of the members of this great body, are the very best in the State of Texas. Hotels, restaurants, furnished rooms and cab lines of best and latest equipage are found in any part of the city. Truly this magnificent body of Masons chose well.

As we go to press the foundation of this great building is laid and the work is being pushed daily through the efforts of the league. We are soon to add two more new features, "a Negro bank" and a sick and accident benefit company, the latter, the stock holders of which have been chosen. All features of the bank are about



JEFF DAGGETT, Saloon Man

perfected and both will be put into operation this year. The League solicits correspondence with all who desire to come into this section and develop the undeveloped resources; also to hear from any who have capital that might desire a safe and paying market at a reasonable rate of interest.

We here have a strong proof of the power of the colored men when firmly united, when we finally attain the position to know that a united people can and will attain success in all worthy attempts, we may proudly proclaim in the old and well known adage, "We have met the enemies of success, and they are ours."

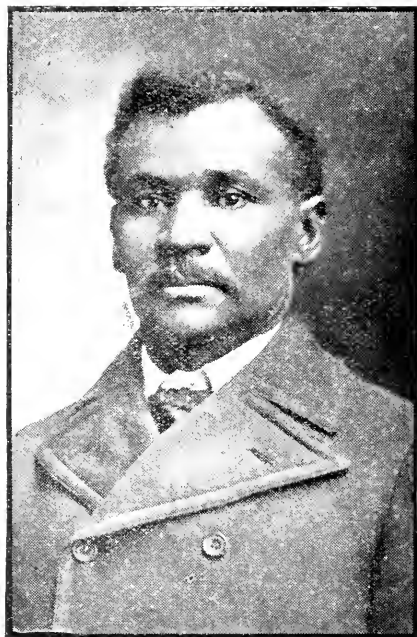
From the glorious achievements of this successful body let us cull a lesson of unity and carry it into our business, our homes,

our churches and our nation. Many other noble schemes are ripening among them that are yet unperfected, but suffice it to say, when duty meets these unconquerable Spartans they know no such word as retreat. The membership is not as strong as it should be, its by-laws and constitution are broad enough to cover every business and profession.

The last National meeting was held in Atlanta, Ga., and our town man, Mr. R. C. Houston, Jr., a successful business man, was chosen Texas member of National Executive Committee. The following faithful veterans are its officers: R. C. Houston, Jr., Pres.; H. Baker, A. R. Jordan, Vice Presidents; G. N. T. Gray, O. T. Hebert, Secretaries; H. T. Williams, Treasurer; J. H. Kavanaugh, Reporter. H. Baker, G. N. T. Gray, R. C. Houston, Jr., O. D. Hebert, Dr. J. M. Mosely, J. W. Taylor, O. H. McFarlin, H. C. Williams, A. R. Jordan, Executive Committee.

THE NEGRO PROTECTION CONGRESS OF TEXAS.

This worthy institution of colored citizens was organized and chartered in the city of Fort Worth in October, 1906. It is neither



H. BAKER, Grocer

political, denomination or religious, but benevolent, strictly legal and social. Its aim is to provide funds to protect each other under the laws and constitution of the United States, the State and county.

1. To aid the law-abiding citizens in securing their rights.

2. To unite the law-abiding Negroes to the extent that they may present a solid, orderly defense as law-abiding and manly citizens.



DR. J. M. MOSELEY

3. To vindicate the movement and allow the guilty to suffer as they deserve, and not the whole race.

4. To employ best legal talent.

This organization is solely for the purpose of mutual assistance to those who are not financially able to protect themselves. Each applicant must, at the time of application, be employed and to have paid his poll-tax. Only worthy members of the race need apply

for the reason this great organization furnishes no shelter for the criminal, idle, loafing element of our race. One of its great objects is to foster the great principle of unity among the better class of colored people and in no way to be hostile to the laws of the land in meting out punishment to the guilty.



DR. P. R. ROBINSON

Its growth has been rapid, yet much more needs to be done. New members are solicited. No one is eligible as a member unless they obligate themselves to keep out of bad company, such as gambling halls, places of dissipation, to refrain from excessive drinking, to allow moneys to be used to assist the worthy, and to abide by the constitution and by-laws. The fundamental principle of this great organization is to protect the worthy and allow the guilty to suffer the fate of the law.

The officers are: M. S. Jordan, Pres.; Dr. J. M. Mosely, Secy.; C. D. Macbeth, Legal Ad.; Dr. E. P. Murchison, State Lecturer; P. M. Carmichael, Vice President; Dr. G. R. Townsend, Treasurer; A. M. Mason, General State Organizer; Dr. N. J. Johnson, Supervisor; Hon. R. L. Smith, State Editor. State Executive Committee: Rev.

G. H. Harlee, chairman; J. W. McKennes, D. D., H. Baker, J. W. Taylor, W. White, J. S. Lewis, R. C. Houston. General headquarters, Room 1, upstairs, corner Tenth and Rusk streets, Fort Worth, Texas.



R. C. HOUSTON, JR., Undertaker

TRINITY CEMETERY CO.—City office 1406 Calhoun St.; old phone 2082, new phone 876. Cemetery corner Grant and Lee Ave.

The company was organized for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a cemetery for the use of all classes of people, irrespective of creed or nationality. The lots are all plotted and graves numbered on the modern idea, and complete records kept of every interment, etc. R. C. Houston, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer, is manager. The company was organized, decorated and dedicated May 30, 1904, and has met the approval of the colored people of Fort Worth. It is well supported, for which the management is grateful to the public. The company has made stable improvements and only ask a continued liberal support to put it on highest standard of cemetery organization. Annual services on decoration day, May 30th each year.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

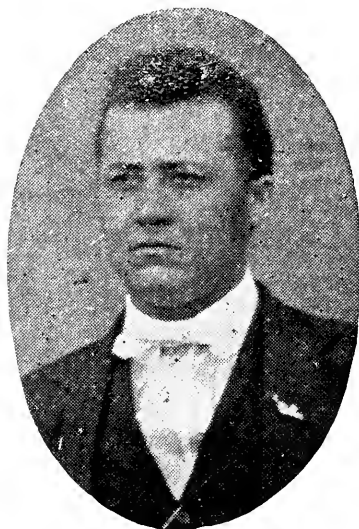
Few cities located in the South possess equal educational advantages as Fort Worth. Having a very large colored population, and a corps of thoroughly competent teachers, directed by able principles, tends very greatly to a strong, thorough and able school system. Men and women of talent and thorough equipment are generally selected to guide the tender mind, and the results of their efforts are shown in the churches, societies and upon the streets of the city. The city proudly boasts of four great public schools as fol-

lows: (1) East Twelfth St. School, East Twelfth Street, with Prof. I. M. Terrell as principal, and his able assistants. Prof. W. M. Coleman, High School branches; Prof. J. T. Langston, 7th grade; Miss Edna Brown, 6th grade; Miss Alice Williams, 5th grade; Miss Beatrice Brown, 4th Grade; Miss Ida Mae Johnson, 3rd grade; Miss Ethel G. Curry, 3rd grade; Miss Bertha Simms, 2nd grade; Miss Mamie McCoy, 2nd grade; Miss Mamie Gray, 1st grade; Mrs. M. L. Terrell, music; Miss Hellen McCoy, sewing, fitting and dress-making. This school is one of the State's best, and for 24 years has retained the services of Prof. I. M. Terrell. Over 700 scholars enrolled this year.

Considerable improvement has been made on the grounds this year by way of putting in quite an amount of cement curbing and some substantial sidewalks are to be placed. On Arbor Day the scholars raised \$100 and used same in putting out quite a number of beautiful shade trees on the campus. To the credit of the 7th grade, taught by Prof T. J. Langston, fell the honor of raising a higher amount than any other grade.

Shiloh, in North Fort Worth, with Miss Mary E. Poe as teacher and 53 scholars.

The third is a strong school of several hundred boys and girls on the South Side, under the care of Prof. James Guinn, and a strong force of able lady assistants. About 1000 colored children are enrolled in these three schools.



PROF. J. M. CODWELL

COLLEGE HEIGHTS.

A beautiful site for the location of a colored college about six miles west of the county court house on the beautiful electric lighted lake Como, at the terminus of Arlington Heights car line, has been



PROF. W. M. COLEMAN
Ft. Worth

given the colored people by Arlington Heights Realty Co. upon which to erect a great industrial college. The situation is very beautiful, being on a high elevation you get a clear view of greater Fort Worth, Arlington Heights and the beautiful Lake Como, upon whose electric-lighted bosom ply many different kinds of yachts and pleasure boats. This bids fair to become a very great center of education for the colored providing they give to the mover the proper stimulus. The land has been surveyed into town lots which are now upon the market at reasonable terms and prices. A lot may be had for the small sum of \$100 to \$150 and on payments of \$1 down and \$1 per week without interest. The car line reaches within five blocks of this property and arrangements are soon to be completed whereby the line will pass through the property direct. Since this valuable addition has been opened and placed upon the market colored men and women of business from distant points as well as local has been very freely invested, but yet many of the choicest lots are upon the market. This great educational move should



S. H. Shelton, the 13th Street Tailor

cause every colored person to put his shoulders to the wheel and push, for greatness can never be achieved where intellect is void. No nation or individual has scanned summits above the average intellectual status of her masses. History gives numerous examples of numerable nations and powerful men, such as Attica, Greece and Rome in ancient times, and England, Germany, United States, and many others in our own age, but they are great because great intellectual training predominates ignorance. To be ignorant is to always be a servant for the intelligent, and to labor for them while

the proceeds reach other pockets than your own. Uncounted millions have been expended and are being spent upon Negro education in the United States, and great numbers of us seem to be blind and hopelessly stumbling in impenetrable ignorance. Every father and mother who fails to compel his or her child to attend school every day has to that extent left duty undone, and before God and this great commonwealth, public sentiment pronounces the sentence—guilty.

Shame clouds many families today as we meet fathers and mothers upon the streets clad in their best and their boys and girls are loitering in dens of shame. We trust this great institution, located here, will be greatly instrumental in raising the status of our people. This is a worthy, though very weighty, venture, and is largely due to the indefatigable determination of Prof. J. M. Codwell, Secretary of Educational Board, Rev. Prince Jones and the Trustees of the prospective school. It is the hope of the board to have the school ready for operation by Nov. 1st.

We are very glad to report the white citizens are giving generous support. Col. Clarence Ousley, editor of "The Fort Worth Record," is a great friend to the movement, and has been interested in personal effort and also brought his paper to aid the promoters of the school. Others are showing great interest and desire.

May every colored man and woman in Fort Worth make one strong, united pull in its interest.

Dickson Colored Orphanage

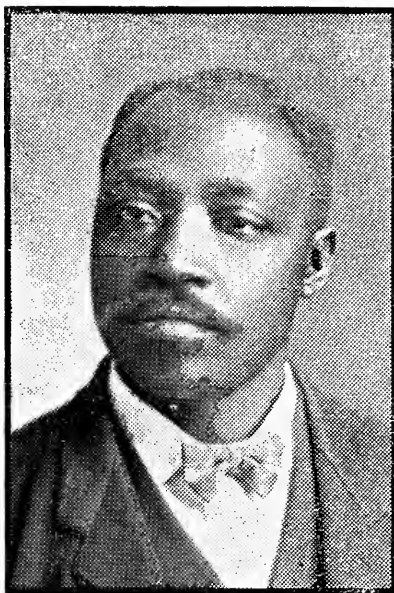
The fourth by Mrs. James Guinn, with about fifty bright boys and girls, in Marine in North Fort Worth.

For a number of years the colored people of the State of Texas have suffered great inconvenience for want of an appropriate home for orphan colored boys and girls. Finding no other person willing to make this great sacrifice, Rev. W. L. Dickson shouldered the heavy responsibility by founding the Dickson Colored Orphanage at Gilmer, Texas. It was organized in 1899, chartered in 1900, dedicated to God Jan. 4, 1901. He began this great movement with only 70 acres of land and a shack or two as only improvements. Today the institution owns 557 acres, 4 mules, 4 horses, 1 dozen cows, two dozen sheep, and much other small domesticated fowls and animals. The institution is very fortunate to have an endowment of \$8,000.

It has enrolled 415 orphan children, most of which have been adopted and transferred into Christian homes. Have at present 93 in care of orphanage. The educational and industrial departments consist of four lady teachers, one male head superintendent, one male truck gardner. The following four new buildings are in course of erection: (1) Buckner's Memmechanical and Industrial Shop; (2) W. A. Boyd Hall; (3) A. S. Jackson Laundry; (4) Terrell Blacksmith Shop.

This is a very great institution, and is as much a necessity in Texas as any of her other great intellectual and industrial ventures. Great credit is due Rev. W. L. Dickson, its founder, for so valuable an annex.

Rev. William Lincoln Dickson, its founder, was born on a farm near Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, in 1865, removing when quite a child to Long-street, Texas, where he remained until about 17 years old, serving as a cow boy, and from thence to Palestine, where he secured work as common laborer on section 1, after some time here he was promoted by the railroad company to a

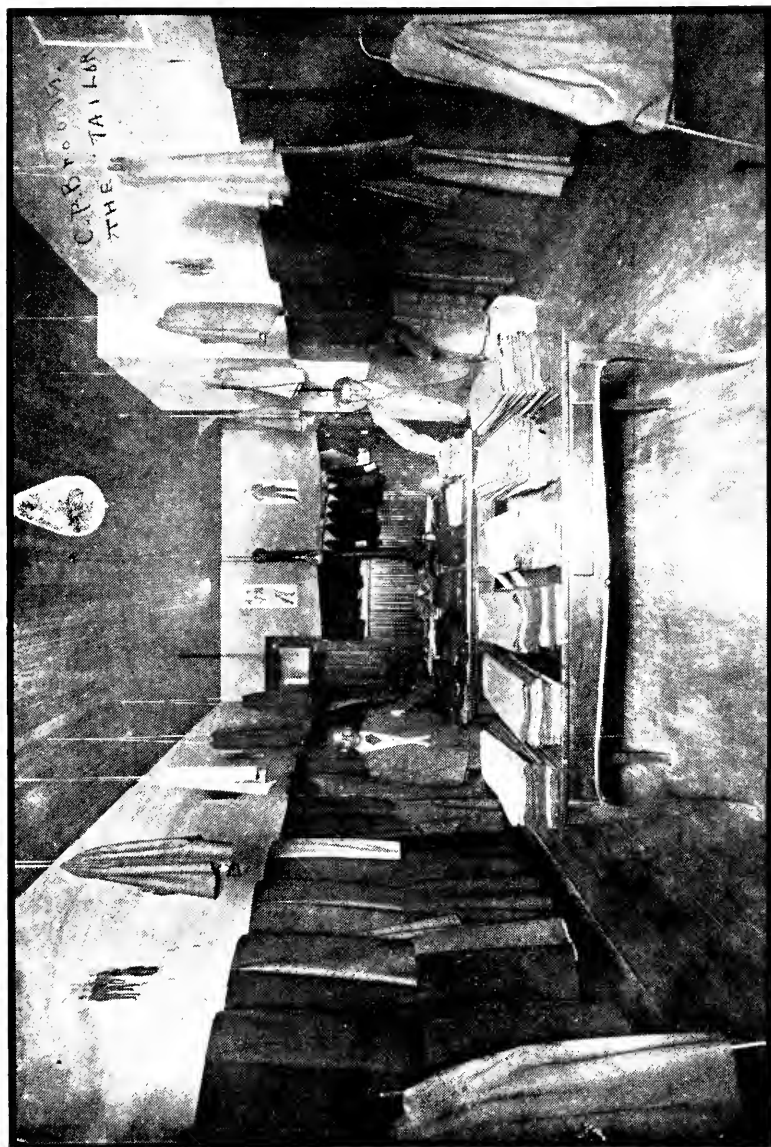


REV. W. L. DICKSON
President of Colored Orphanage



MRS. W. L. DICKSON
Matron of Colored Orphanage

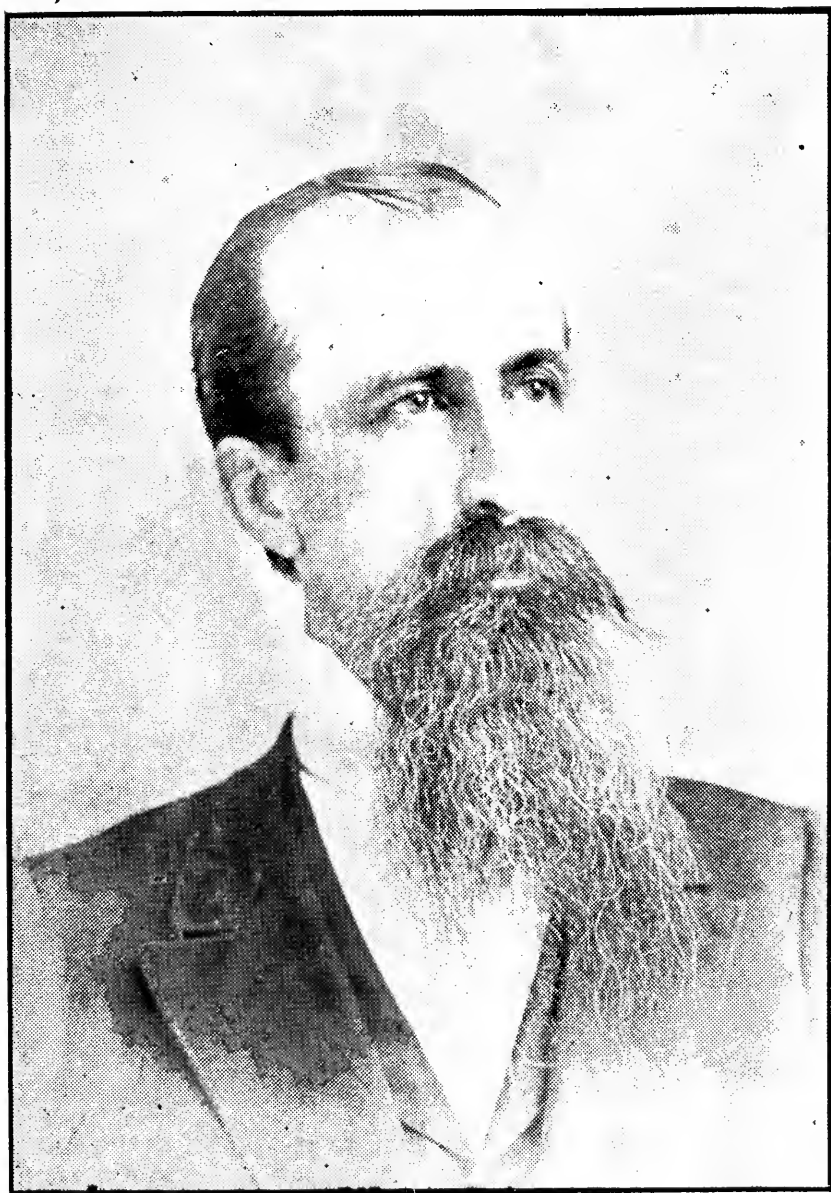
position as hostler on an engine. Leaving Palestine he went to Dallas and was there converted under Rev. C. N. Pryor, of Washington, D. C., who was then pastor of New Hope Church. He was ordained by Rev. E. W. D. Isaac, Rev. A. Taylor, Rev. N. D. Scurlock. He entered Bishop College, Marshall, Texas, in 1890, where he remained for a number of years pursuing courses in normal and theological work. Rev. W. L. Dickson is personally known to the author, and we always found him forceful and true to any duty before him. May all the people of Texas unite in giving aid to this great movement and its founder.



Interior View of Chas. P. Brooks' Tailoring Establishment, 117 W. 11th Street



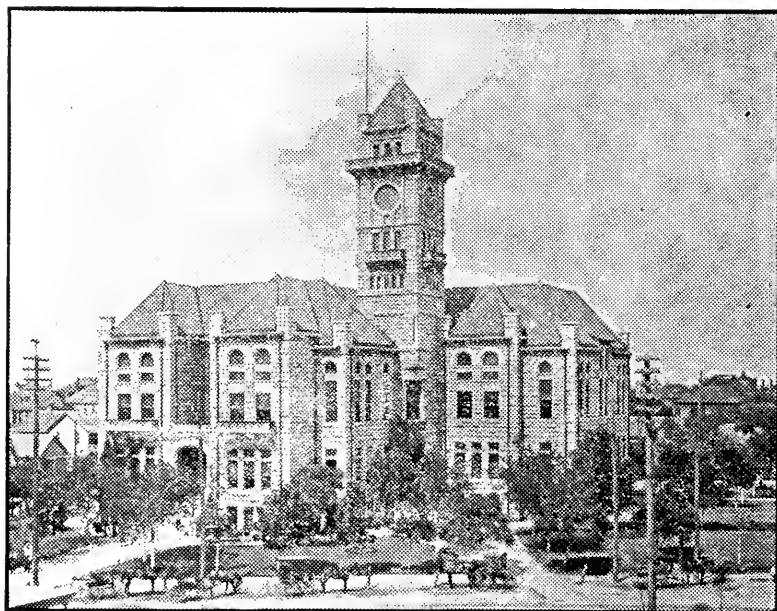
MRS. T. C. ANDERSON
Active in Society Circles



MAYOR HARRIS

A PLEA AGAINST CRIME, VAGRANCE AND LAWLESSNESS.

In concluding this little volume, I would feel as though one of my most sacred duties would have been neglected if I failed to cry aloud against the great amount of crime, vagrancy and lawlessness among our people; in this the 20th century, one of the most wonderful ages of the human family. We see it on all sides, and in all forms almost every day. Still many dare to condemn. The colored man is rapidly learning to hate and condemn lawlessness and the lawless element and as soon as this has been accepted as our watchword the better element of the white race claims that the better element of us will receive the full and impartial protection of the strong arm of the law. Let us do it. We must resolve to adopt strict principals of integrity, morals and uprightness. Some great hindrances to our progress as a race are: Too much talk, too much



CITY HALL

open immorality, too quick to cover the crimes of the violators of the law, thus giving public sentiment an opportunity to condemn the whole race. As good men and as pure women are in abundance among us as God ever spoke into existence, and they should and must be protected; but the unworthy injure our influence to a very great extent by seeking shelter among them. We should show them that unless they cease to openly and knowingly violate the laws, we owe it as our duty to our county, State and Nation, to assist the officers of the law to apprehend and punish them to the fullest ex-



Chief of Police
J. H. MADDOX.



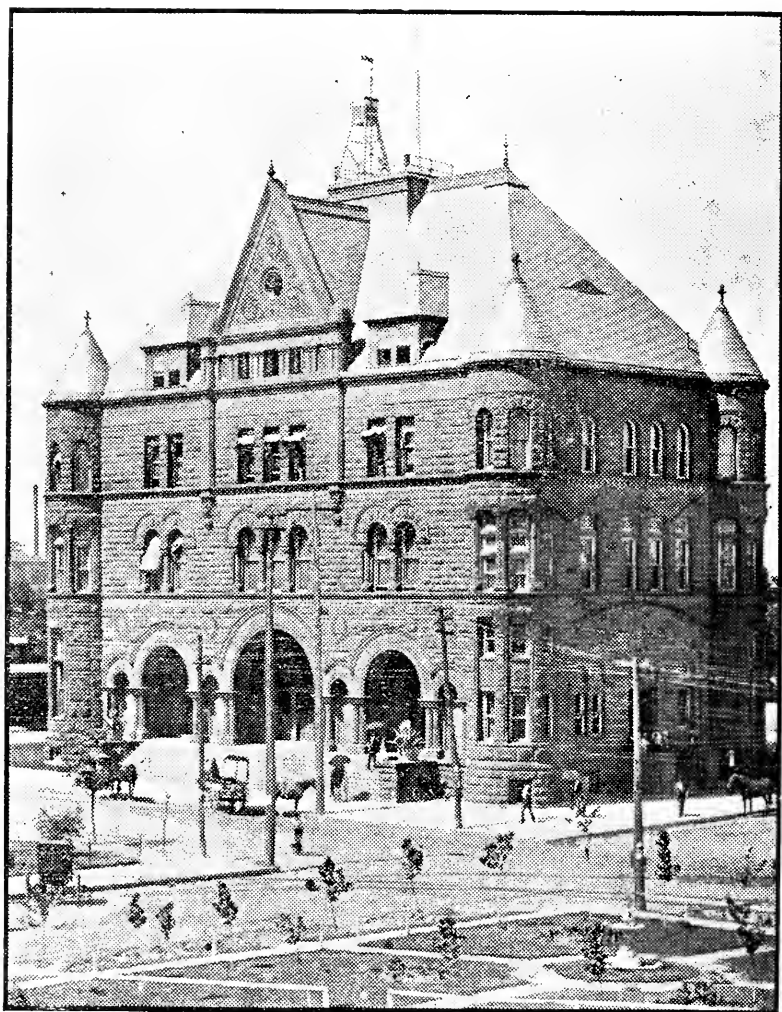
WHITE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Pres. Board of Trade

tent. Many argue that this is contrary to the laws of nations and races to assist in running down members of its own kind; but in answer will state that every race and nation which has allowed crime to reign long enough has inevitably disappeared or gone down in defeat and ruin.

We, as a race, have not the sins of others to amend, but our own to correct; yet it is every man's duty to help raise the standard of his fellow man regardless to race, creed or color. We need the most friendly and cordial relations between the colored and white, and it is our duty to strive to maintain it in every honorable way. It is impossible for two races to live together and prosper unless some class of them present a strong front in the defense of right and justice. The white man, being the ruling power, should never, under any circumstances, establish it as a rule to show special favors upon the colored race because they incidentally happened to be colored, for this is to deprive the law of some of its meaning and intents, since it has no respect of persons nor excuses any one upon the ground of ignorance; and in the same manner may all this great Caucasian race adopt the only true and just principle that many have accepted, lose sight and thought of race before the tribunal of justice and try the man of every race and punish him according to the nature and gravity of the crime, if guilty, remember he committed the offense of his own free will, so compel him to suffer, if innocent, follow the teachings of that Book of books: "Loose him and let him go."

As a race, like every other race, short of some things, we should possess and among some of our grave faults we commit too many petty crimes, such as the theft of small things, making untrue statements about our neighbors, playing craps and other games of chance, and last, but not least, dressing far above our incomes. Fine suits, dresses and jewelry have spoiled the financial chances of more colored men and destroyed the morals of a greater number of colored girls, than the devil individually. How many of our race can be seen daily upon the streets clad in \$35 suits, which are not in every case purchased with his own money, who has not a home nor anything else in this world which he can truthfully call his own, yet he sneers to scorn the honest toiler who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow. He has no aspiration whatever higher than a lady friend, a glass of beer, two craps and a stake. He has no job and don't want any. Not all are men, for great numbers among the fairer sex are measured by exactly the same standard, all on earth they seem to need is a fine skirt and the same drink as mentioned above, and to get these they resort to the means of immorality of the darkest hue with all classes and kinds. Before God and man they are void of the greatest jewel given by a Divine Creator, but the partner of the crime is none the less innocent. They are both on the very same level, and from among this class comes the people who crowd the police stations, jails, county roads, and the penitentiaries, and cause the world to make that great and unjust plea that all Negroes are alike. A statement further from the truth than that was never uttered. There is the same difference



POST OFFICE

among colored people as among whites, Mexicans, Chinamen and all others—some are pure and some impure.

May every colored person in our great city present a stronger front to the wrong and wrong-doer every day, is my earnest, heartfelt plea, and may the white people strive to assist and encourage the faithful colored more each day!

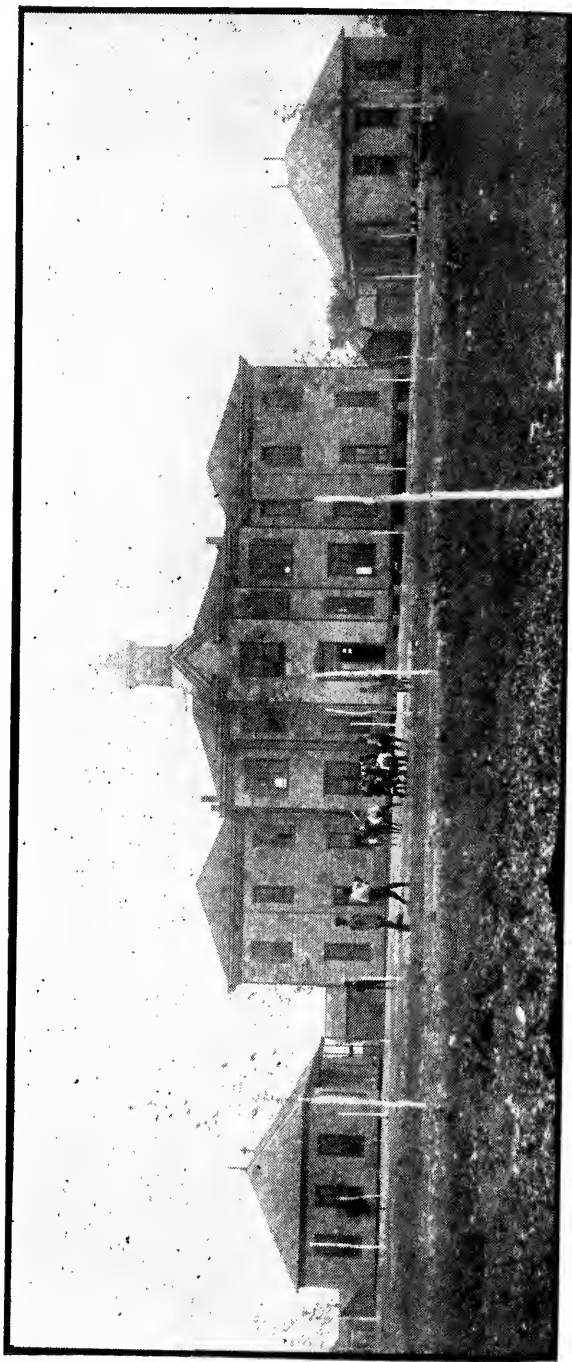
In our city the recent raids made among the lower element in January, led by that uncompromising defender of the law and morality, J. H. Maddox, Chief of Police, assisted by assistant chief, Al Ray, and the other members of the police force(has been very instrumental in reducing crime in this great city, and I am assured by them personally that this part of the city shall be conducted on a more civilized basis. May all their great efforts ripen into wonderful results, and improvements to Fort Worth. The Chief and his army of police officers showed no quarter and knew no retreat in these raids and so very greatly decreased open door immorality. We take very great pleasure in here giving the names of this great band of officers who so fearlessly drove this class of violators to the background:

List of City Officers of Fort Worth.

W. D. Harris, Mayor.	J. M. Aiken, Patrolman.
J. H. Maddox, Chief of Police.	W. G. Bryan, Patrolman.
J. A. Allen, Asst. Chief of Police.	R. R. Porter, Patrolman.
E. J. Cone, Night Captain.	W. V. Wallace, Patrolman.
Chas. W. Newby, Day Sergeant.	J. R. Dodd, Patrolman.
J. A. Connelly, Night Sergeant.	Jno. Temes, Patrolman.
A. G. Ray, Chief of Detectives.	Frank Harmon, Patrolman.
J. D. Allgood, Sgt. of Detectives.	Jno Lane, Patrolman.
Ab. Speight, Detective.	J. E. Sory, Patrolman.
A. N. Bills, Detective.	W. R. Dearing, Patrolman.
G. T. Talbott, Detective.	R. L. Hollowell, Patrolman.
S. P. Maddox, Detective.	Ben U. Bell, Patrolman.
A. S. Waller, Mounted.	J. G. Reynolds, Patrolman.
A. L. Bibb(Mounted.	R. P. Cooper, Patrolman.
S. S. McGothlin, Mounted.	J. L. Henderson, Patrol Driver.
D. E. Loyd, Mounted.	H. C. Glosson, Patrol Driver.
W. Z. Turner, Mounted.	Geo. Craig, Prison Guard.
Chas. Waggoman, Mounted.	Henry Jones, Prison Guard.
W. W. Standifer, Mounted.	Jno Collard, Prison Guard.
G. G. Davis, Mounted.	C. C. McMichael, Sanitary.
N. C. Mann, Mounted.	Max Bender, Sanitary.
J. A. Casey, Mounted.	Jas. Moss, Sanitary.
L. F. Ladd, Mounted.	Robert Miller, Pound Master.
W. J. Williams, Mounted.	
J. D. Chapman, Patrolman.	
H. E. Meek, Patrolman.	
W. P. McGlothlin, Patrolman.	
W. W. Perry, Patrolman.	

Police Committee—

J. F. Zurn,
B. L. Waggoman,
J. F. Lehane.



12th Street High School, Prof. I. M. Terrell, Principal

TARRANT COUNTY—ORGANIZED 1850.

List of County and District Officers of County Seat, Fort Worth.

County Judge—Jno. L. Terrell.

County Clerk—Jno. A. Knee.

County Attorney—Jeff D. McLean.

County Treasurer—W. H. Hart.

County Surveyor—J. J. Goodfellow.

Sheriff—Tom J. Wood.

Tax Collector—R. M. Davis.

Assessor—R. Lee Tilley.

Judicial District 17—

District Judge—M. E. Smith.

District Clerk—Jno. A. Martin.

Our Postmaster.

Mr. L. M. Barkley, the efficient Post Master of Fort Worth, another big-hearted man who gave us some data about the past and present of this great city, was born in Harrison County, Ky., Oct. 8, 1853. He moved with his father to Birdville, Tarrant County, December 1, 1855. When the Civil War threw clouds of disunion among us, his father espoused the cause of the Union men, thus putting his son, Mr. L. M. Barkley, our present postmaster, in a very embarrassing position, as to securing employment in this section at that time.

Owing to the selections of the Republican party as his choice, he could secure no other work by means of which to earn bread for support, save that of a cowboy, which work he followed for twenty years. But feelings of this nature have cleared away at present in Texas, and the real worth of the man, now, is the prerequisite.

Today Mr. Barkley is loved and respected by all, irrespective of party or color. In his appointment to his present office, he had only one opponent, the then acting postmaster.

Conclusion

The author feels under obligations to his many friends, both white and colored, who have so kindly given information and assistance with the greatest freedom and pleasure.

We are glad to say that not only the colored, but the whites in the most exalted positions of honor, down to the humblest laborer, took delight, and this, too, with a smile on the face, to give any information desired. All my colored friends are kindly and ever shall be warmly remembered for the care and interest shown. And to my white friends, I am compelled to throw many votes of thanks. The President of the Board of Trade, Dr. J. T. Cooper, a friendly and strong business gentleman, Mayor Harris, who is an honest Christian chieftain, Mr. E. M. Daggett, the real estate magnate, Hon. Maddox, chief of police, Postmaster L. M. Barkley, and others

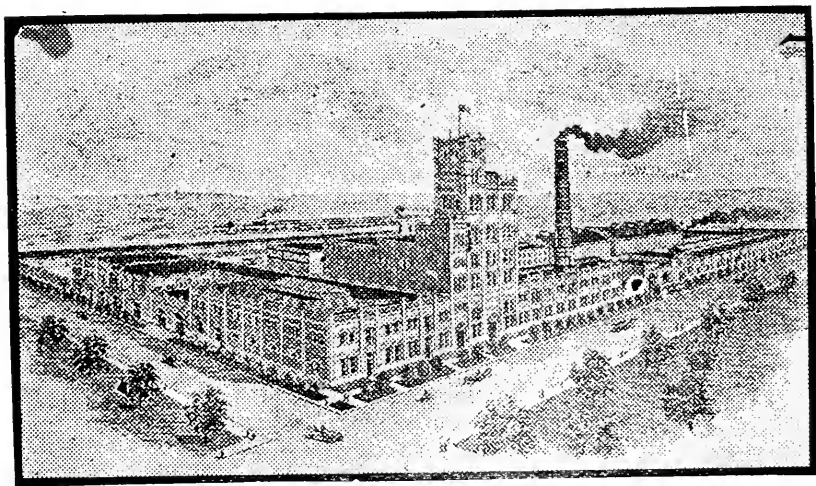
too numerous to mention, gave us freely and pleasantly all the information asked.

A strong body of fearless officers and men administer the affairs and live in this city. We wish them great success.

It would be an injustice to fail to mention the acts of friendliness of "The Telegram," and "The Star." Both took great pleasure in the loan of cuts of public men and buildings. They are great journals in the hands of honest management, battling strictly in the interest of principle; though white, the two great cosmopolitan dailies freely gave permission for us to use their most valuable cuts. May their subscription rolls be large and their success unbounded.

Truly Fort Worth is a great and rapidly expanding city, and every race and nationality is given an opportunity to earn an honest living for himself and dependents unmolested.

Men of surplus capital as well as homeseekers of any race will find money invested here often doubles in a few weeks. Its growth has been the wonder of the Southwest. Colored business men of



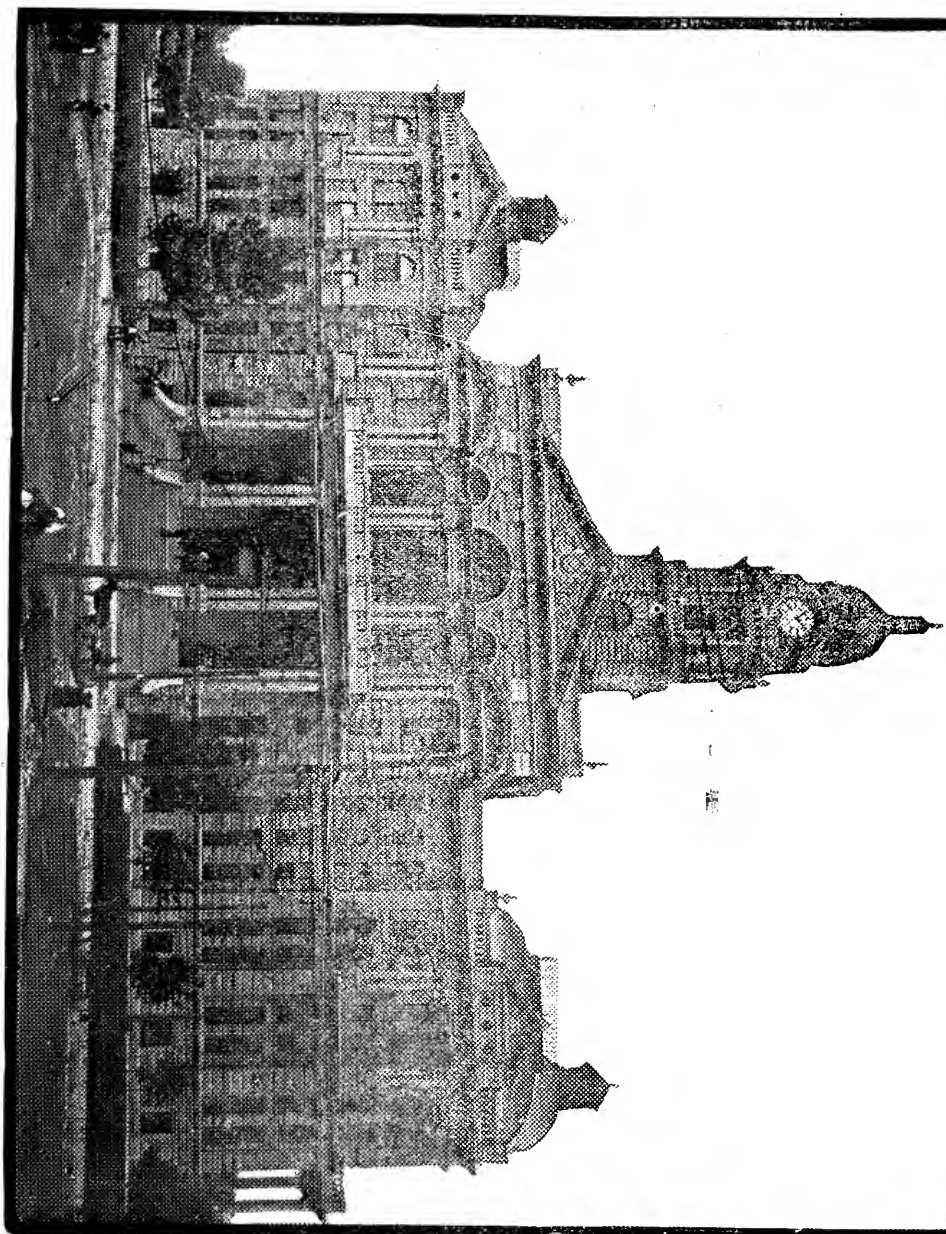
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integrity are making money, and their white friends protect and allow them a chance, which is as should be done, and so they all move on smoothly together, each to a very great extent wishing the other success.

Like their white neighbors, the colored seemed anxious to help, such as Mr. R. C. Houston, Jr., Mr. E. Hines, Revs. P. Jones, Harllee, Morton, Brown, Jackson, Slaughter, and all other ministers, as well as those in every walk of life.

Some of as broad and faithful colored business men live in this city as are to be found anywhere; for the first time in life the author landed in the city, in November, 1906, and has made a close study of the above facts, and will strongly proclaim them everywhere.

Before concluding, we wish to suggest a very needful hint to a few of our colored business men, a fault which we often face in



many parts of our great country, and that is the great principal of gentlemanly courtesy towards your customers and the masses generally. We need to emulate the examples of great financiers and business men all around our doors at all times, even merchant princes and bank presidents, when we chance to drop into their places of business meet us with a smile and a word of kindness which causes one to feel welcome. They rarely wait for you to approach them, but in the majority of cases meet you more than half way. Yet numbers of them are worth many hundred thousands of dollars. What a wonderful business example for a colored man of business who would succeed!

While the majority of our business men put this beautiful principle into practice, we are very sorry to state that it has been the sad lot of the author to see in many cities of the United States so many who as soon as they are in a position to purchase a horse and buggy on the installment plan, rent a two-room house and a set of furniture, buy a suit of clothes one-half down and balance one dollar per week, to assume such a wise look and an appearance so indifferent and cold, and an air of such great importance that the average man feels altogether unwelcome in his place. In some cases you allow your customers to stand for half an hour before you freeze them with your cold epithet, "What you want?" and still you claim you can't understand why some colored people go to a white establishment and buy when "I got the same stuff and make the same price."

Colored business and professional men, you must practice this one principal towards all, regardless to race, creed or color, or failure ever shall be your lot. I do not accuse all of this, only a very small majority, but they need to reconsider now. I long to see the era when we shall all be a race of polite business men of push and energy. Looking wise, walking stout, bursted and in debt, and at the same time disrecognizing your colored brother because he is a little more unfortunate than yourself, is a principle that no true gentleman will practice.

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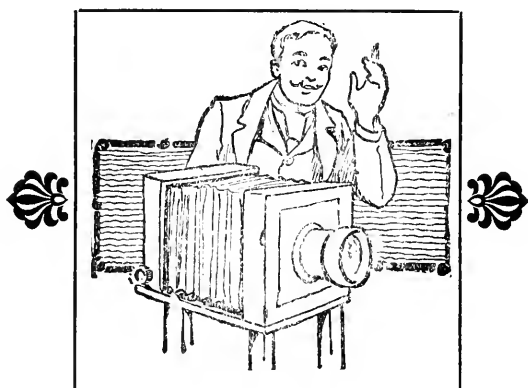


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